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IT'S RAINING VERY HARD. I WONDER HOW THE PLACE HANBIT WENT CAMPING IS HOLDING UP.
HE SAID THEY'RE NOT SETTING UP CAMP DEEP IN THE WOODS, DON'T WORRY. IT SHOULD BE EASY FOR THEM TO EVACUATE IN CASE OF RAIN.
.....
AUNTIE IS THE REASON YOU'VE BEEN BUSY LATELY, RIGHT? IS HER CONDITION REALLY BAD?

FATHER..
PERHAPS TODAY OR TOMORROW .. I WAS THINKING OF TAKING YOU AND HANBIT... TO GO SEE YOUR AUNT.
LIFE IN THIS WORLD HAS BEEN A LONG PAINFUL JOURNEY FOR HER. THE DOCTOR SAID THE JOURNEY WILL SOON COME TO AN END.
...NO... PERHAPS HER JOURNEY ENDED A LONG TIME AGO.
WHAT WE'VE BEEN SEEING IS MERE TRACES
...OF THE WOMAN WHO WAS ONCE MY SISTER AND YOUR AUNT
I'LL MAKE TIME TOMORROW...BUT I'M NOT SURE ABOUT HANBIT.
TIME ISN'T THE ISSUE FOR HIM BUT..

THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A NICE WARM CUP OF TEA ON A RAINY DAY
HAVE SOME AND LET GO OF THE GLUM FEELING, MR. HAN.
AH.. THANK YOU..
WHY DON'T YOU HAVE SOME, TOO?
NO, I HAVE SOMETHING TO DO IN THE KITCHEN
DING DONG
DING DONG
THAT SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE IN A REAL HURRY. WHO IS IT?
DING DONG
DING DONG
WOULD NEVER BE THIS RAINY
HANSIT- !
CALL A DOCTOR, HURRY..
MISTY RAIN HAS A BAD FEVER.

WHAT HAPPENED?
I DON'T KNOW
I HEARD SHE FELL IN THE WATER...
DON'T WORRY TOO MUCH SHE JUST HAS FEVER AND BODY ACHES BROUGHT ON BY FATIGUE.
I JUST GAVE HER A SHOT. SHE'LL BE FINE AFTER GETTING A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP
WHEW~, THANK GOD

CAUSING ALL THIS TROUBLE...REALLY... SHE'S IMPOSSIBLE.
I KNEW IT. I KNEW SOMETHING LIKE THIS WOULD HAPPEN I SHOULDN'T HAVE GONE WITH THOSE IDIOTS
DAMN IT~. JUST LOOK AT ME. I'M GONNA TAKE A SHOWER.
HUHU HANBIT HE WAS SO WORRIED THAT HE DIDN'T EVEN CHANGE...
WHAT HAPPENED? THAT SIRIUS BASTARD
WENT OFF AND LEFT HER LIKE THAT
HMPH ! LOOK AT ME.. WHY AM I WORRIED ABOUT HER ANYWAY?
I'VE BECOME A REAL SOFTY
SIRIUS HAD AN EMEAGENCY AND WENT HOME BY HIMSELF.
ANYWAY SIRIUS IS BUGGING ME.
WHAT WAS SO URGENT THAT HE ABANDONED MISTY-RAIN? HE'S USUALLY NOT IRRESPONSIBLE LIKE THAT
I BROUGHT MISTY-RAIN BACK TO YOU. I ONLY DID WHAT SIRIUS ASKED ME TO DO.

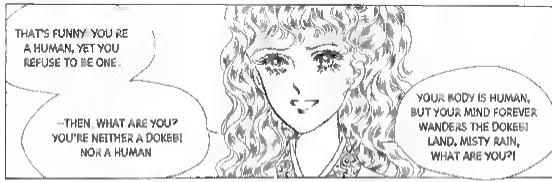
ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO MISTY RAIN
CLICK
HANSIT
IF YOU'RE DONE WASHING UP, SIT WITH US FOR A WHILE..
I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU BOYS.

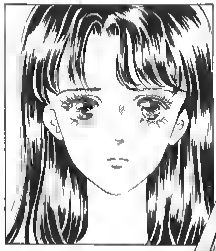
PROTECT MISTY-RAIN
YOUR HIGHNESS...
SO TENACIOUS
WHAT DOES HE LIKE ABOUT THIS HUMAN CHILD...

SIRIUS, WHERE ARE YOU? WHERE AM I?
WHERE ARE YOU?
THE PRINCE IS DEAD. ALL BECAUSE OF YOU
THORNPRICKER?
IT'S YOUR FAULT - !

IF IT WASN'T FOR YOU, YOU IMP...
YOU ONLY BRING HARM TO EVERYBODY.
TO THE PRINCE, AND TO ME.
YOU SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN BORN-! NO WONDER YOU WERE ABANDONED BY YOUR REAL PARENTS
I'M THE ONE WHO WAS HARMED BY YOU GUYS.
IF YOU DIDN'T KILL MY CHICKS... HO, IF SIRIUS HADN'T SHOWN UP AT THAT MOMENT I COULD HAVE WON THE TRIAL. I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN BANISHED FROM THE DOKEBI LAND.

YOU STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU DID WRONG? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO NEVER SHOWED ANY REMORSE FOR DESTROYING MY CHILL GARDEN. YOU EVEN LIED TO
WHY?
THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS... BESIDES, EVEN IF THAT INCIDENT NEVER HAPPENED, YOU WERE GOING TO LEAVE DOKEBI LAND ANYWAY.
BECAUSE YOU'RE A HUMAN.
NO-
NO?
THEN, WHAT ARE YOU?
A DOKEBI?
—.—!


THAT'S FUNNY. YOU'RE A HUMAN, YET YOU REFUSE TO BE ONE.
--THEN, WHAT ARE YOU? YOU'RE NEITHER A DOKEBI NOR A HUMAN
YOUR BODY IS HUMAN, BUT YOUR MIND FOREVER WANDERS THE DOKEBI LAND. MISTY RAIN, WHAT ARE YOU?!

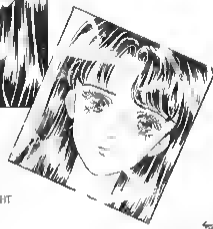


IS THAT WHAT IT IS..?

THE REASON BEHIND MY ENDLESS WANDERING

MY HEART ISN'T HUMAN..

NOR DOKEBI



I REALLY WANTED TO BE A DOKEBI

I PRAYED WITH ALL MY MIGHT FOR THE HORNS TO GROW ON MY HEAD

BUT THEY NEVER GREW AND THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS, WHOM I TRUSTED MORE THAN ANYONE BANISHED ME

RANDMA...
THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS...
THE OVERWHELMING SCENT OF THE BUCKWHEAT FIELD
NO!
HANBIT.
I WON'T GO. JUST GO WITH GARAM, FATHER.

SLAM~
THAT RASCAL.. IT DOESN'T MATTER IF SHE'S IN A MENTAL INSTITUTION. SHE'S STILL HIS AUNT.. I CAN'T BELIEVE HE HATES HER THAT MUCH..
HE USED TO LIKE HER AS A KID..
..HE DID LIKE HER.
IN FACT HE ADORED HER. THAT'S WHY THE PAIN BECAME SO BIG
FATHER, I WASN'T ABLE TO ASK BECAUSE YOU ALWAYS LOOKED SAD.
WON'T YOU TELL ME ABOUT AUNTIE? I THINK WE'RE OLD ENOUGH TO UNDERSTAND.
.....!

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN, TO UNDERSTAND?
OLD ENOUGH TO UNDERSTAND
I WONDER IF THERE ARE THINGS ONE CAN NEVER UNDERSTAND
THINGS THAT PEOPLE LOSE UNDERSTANDING OF AS THEY GROW OLDER...

SINCE CHILDHOOD YOUR AUNT WAS ALWAYS SICKLY
AND THERE WAS SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT HER, UNLIKE OTHER CHILDREN.
CLONK
BROTHER, DON'T DO THAT.
CLONK
CLONK
NO BROTHER.
THE TREE SAYS IT HURTS
WHAT?

LOOK, LOOK AT THAT FROWNING FACE.
SHE'S SERIOUSLY HOT!
STUPID! HOW CAN A TREE TALK AND FROWN?
DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT TO OTHER PEOPLE IT'S EMBARRASSING
SEE? I CAN HIT IT AS MUCH AS I WANT AND TEAR ALL ITS BRANCHES, BUT THE TREE CAN'T SAY ANYTHING. A TREE IS JUST A TREE
CLONK
CLONK
BROTHER - DON'T DO THAT

HEEEYY~
SEHEE, WHAT'S WRONG? ARE YOU SICK?
DON'T DO THAT
I'M MISERABLE BECAUSE THE TREE IS IN PAIN

OH, HOW CUTE
HMM
WAIT FOR ME
BROTHER, THAT KID... HE'S SO PRETTY, BUT I FEEL REALLY BAD FOR HIM.
WHY?
THE ANGEL OF DEATH STANDS NEXT TO HIM.
LOOKS LIKE THE ANGEL WILL TAKE HIM AWAY SOON-

WATCH WHAT YOU SAY.
IF HIS MOTHER HEARS THAT, SHE MIGHT THROW YOU TO THE ANGEL OF DEATH.
AH
EH?
IT'S ALL RIGHT, I WAS JUST JOKING--DON'T BE AFRAID
—!
YOU DON'T GIVE UP, DO YOU?
THE ANGEL OF DEATH JUST LOOKED AT ME
SCREECHH-

THAT BONE-CHILLING ABILITY SURPRISED PEOPLE AROUND HER.

ON TOP OF THAT HER HEALTH ALSO DETERIORATED. SHE WAS ALWAYS SICK.

THE HOSPITALS ALL DIAGNOSED HER CONDITION AS BEING CAUSED BY DELICATE NERVES THEY KEPT TELLING US NOTHING WAS WRONG WITH HER.

AS SUCH INCIDENTS HAPPENED AGAIN AND AGAIN. SHE BECAME MORE AND MORE PREOCCUPIED.

SHE'S POSSESSED BY A DEMON
LOOK AT THAT PALE FACE IT'S DEFINITELY THE SIGN OF AN EVIL SPIRIT
HOW UNLUCKY
THIS CHILD HOLDS THE ENERGY OF A DEITY WITHIN HER.
SHE'LL DIE UNLESS SHE UNDERGOES THE RITES OF A SPECIALIST IN SPIRITUAL MATTERS.
A SPECIALIST IN SPIRITUAL MATTERS? YOU WANT ME TO TURN MY DAUGHTER OVER TO AN EXORCIST?
I CAN'T DO THAT NEVER -
FURIOUS, YOUR GRANDPARENTS SENT YOUR AUNT TO THEIR COUNTRY HOME
THEY BELIEVED SHE'D GET BETTER AFTER RESTING IN CLEAN, FRESH AIR.
PERHAPS, YOUR GRANDFATHER WAS RIGHT YOUR AUNT'S HEALTH BECAME RADICALLY BETTER.

WHY DO YOU LOOK LIKE THAT?
IS THERE NO SUCH THING AS LOVE IN THE HUMAN WORLD?
MOMENTARY LOVE...
YES
I SEE THOSE FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT THEY DISAPPEAR INSTANTLY LIKE EPHEMERAL COMETS.
WHY IS IT THAT I CAN'T SEE EVERLASTING LOVE?

THOSE PEOPLE... THEY LOOK SO HAPPY
BUT WATCH IN 6 MONTHS, THEY'LL SEPARATE
BOTH WILL END UP LOVING SOMEONE ELSE.
BROTHER... FATHER SHOWED ME THE MAN I SHOULD MARRY.
BUT, I CAN ALREADY SEE THAT HE WON'T BE MY HUSBAND.
I KNOW EVERYTHING..
THE MAN WHO WILL BE MY LOVER. IT'S STRANGE
HE'S LIKE... A DEITY.
I CAN'T SEE HIS FACE VERY WELL, BUT SOMETIMES HE RIDES AROUND ON A PHOENIX.
HIS FACE IS SURROUNDED BY LIGHT. I CAN'T SEE IT CLEARLY
AH... TWO SILVER-COLORED HORNS RISE FROM HIS HEAD.
THOSE BEAUTIFUL HORNS

THE MAN FATHER BROUGHT TOLD ME HE LOVED ME!
I GUESS THAT'S POSSIBLE BECAUSE I M PRETTY RIGHT NOW. BUT HE LL CHANGE ONCE I BECOME OLD AND SICK..
DID YOU SAY.. LOVE?
YES.
EVEN IF I M TRANSFORMED INTO A SHABBY FLOWER BY A WITCH S SPELL AND HIDDEN AMONG ALL THE FLOWERS IN THIS WORLD, I WANT A MAN WHO WILL BE ABLE TO FIND ME
YOU DREAM A MOST BEAUTIFUL FANTASY!
..YOU'RE JUST LIKE THE MAN FATHER WISHES ME TO MARRY..
I DON'T THINK I LL EVER UNDERSTAND YOU - WHAT DO YOU WANT?
LOVE.
MAGIC AND WITCHES ARE MERE FAIRY TALES.
HE TOLD ME THAT I CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FANTASY AND REALITY..

WHY ARE YOU BOTH SO SIMPLE MINDED?
WHY DO YOU REFUSE TO SEE THE TRUTH?
PLENTY OF BEAUTIFUL AND MYSTERIOUS WORLDS EXIST IN THIS UNIVERSE.
...THEN ONE DAY YOUR GRANDFATHER BROUGHT A STRANGE, OLD PAINTING HOME.
IT WAS A 100 YEAR-OLD FANTASY PICTURE OF SOME KIND. INSIDE WAS THE KING OF DARKNESS THAT YOUR AUNT WOULD ALWAYS DRAW! COULD IT HAVE BEEN A COINCIDENCE?
YOUR AUNT'S MENTAL STATE BECAME MORE AND MORE UNSTABLE. WITH EACH PASSING DAY SHE SHUNNED THE SUN.
IT'S HIM.
BROTHER... THIS IS THE MAN I SEE IN MY REAMS ALL THE TIME.

AROUND THAT TIME I HAD TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY ON A BUSINESS-RELATED MATTER.
LATER, I HEARD SHE USED TO WANDER AROUND AT NIGHT LIKE A GHOST..
THEY SAID SHE ALSO FELL FROM A CLIFF..
WHEN I RETURNED, YOUR AUNT HAD SUNKEN INTO THE STATE SHE'S IN NOW.
YOU CAN'T SEE BECAUSE YOU DON'T BELIEVE.
HOWEVER, IT REVEALS ITSELF TO ME FROM TIME TO TIME.
ESPECIALLY NEAR THE WINDOW BATHED IN THE LIGHT OF THE FULL MOON, I CAN HEAR SONGS FROM A MYSTERIOUS WORLD
YES...SOMEDAY... I'LL BE INVITED TO THAT WORLD.
SOMEDAY...
THAT WAS WHAT YOUR AUNT LOOKED LIKE THE LAST TIME I SAW HER.

I STILL CAN'T SEE THE MYSTERIOUS WORLD SHE TALKED ABOUT.
NOR CAN I UNDERSTAND IT.
I WONDERED FROM TIME TO TIME.
WHERE COULD HER SOUL BE WANDERING RIGHT NOW?
IS SHE NEAR THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS SHE LOVES SO MUCH?

CLICK
AH... RIGHT SHE'S IN MY ROOM STUPID ME... IN ALL THE COMMOTION, I LAID HER IN MY ROOM.
WHERE AM I GOING TO SLEEP TONIGHT?
GREAT KING OF DARKNESS
MISTY RAIN WANTS TO LIVE WITH YOU, GREAT KING OF DARKNESS
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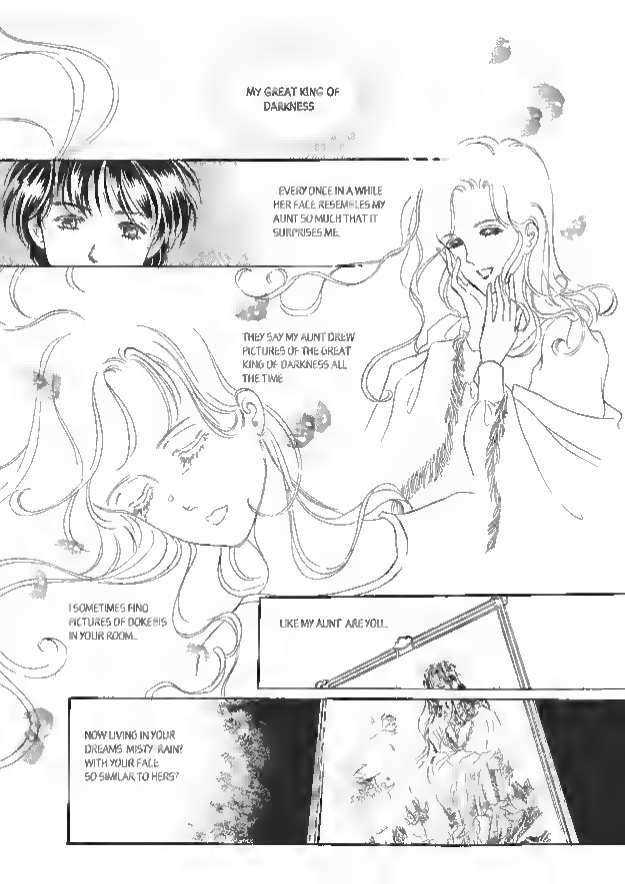

MY GREAT KING OF DARKNESS
EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE HER FACE RESEMBLES MY AUNT SO MUCH THAT IT SURPRISES ME.
THEY SAY MY AUNT DREW PICTURES OF THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS ALL THE TIME
I SOMETIMES FIND PICTURES OF DOKEIIS IN YOUR ROOM...
LIKE MY AUNT ARE YOU...
NOW LIVING IN YOUR DREAMS MISTY RAIN? WITH YOUR FACE SO SIMILAR TO HERS?

WHAT IS THIS STUPID PICTURE ANYWAY...?
THIS STUPID~

WHAT FATE
ARE THEY
BOUND TO
THAT THIS STUPID PICTURE
IS STEALING THE MINDS OF
THOSE AROUND ME...?

SHINY FULL MOON...
THE DIVINE LIGHT THAT BRIDGES THE WORLDS OF HEAVENS, DEMONS, AND MORTALS.
NIGHTS LIKE THIS, IT FEELS LIKE SOMEONE IS CALLING ME.

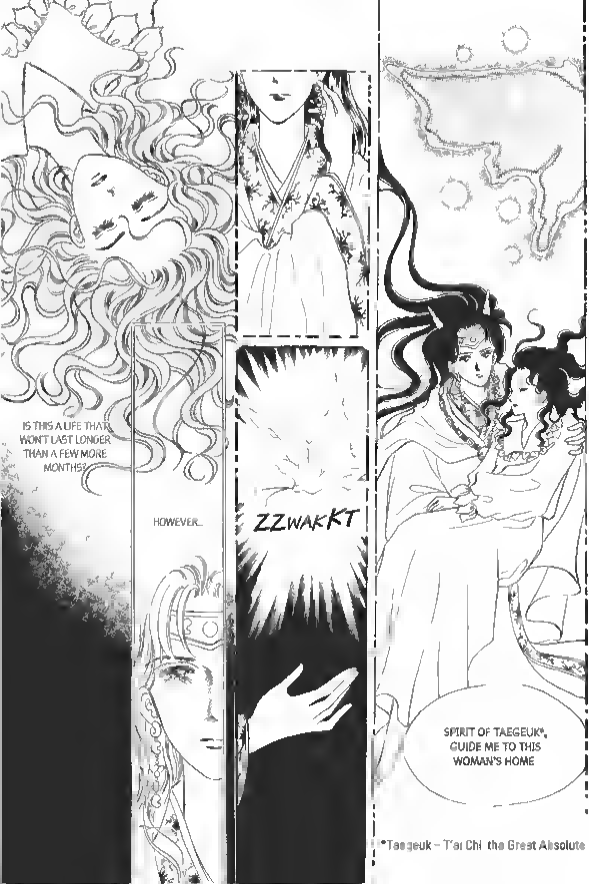
THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS HEADS TOWARD THE POND OF CONFUSION AGAIN TODAY.
IT ALWAYS HAPPENS ON THE NIGHT OF THE FIRST FULL MOON.
HE KEEPS AN EYE ON THE SUBSTANCES THAT FLOW FROM OTHER WORLDS INTO OURS DUE TO THE LIGHT OF THE FIRST FULL MOON. I DON'T KNOW WHY HE DOES IT HIMSELF...
POOR BROTHER. IF IT WASN'T FOR THAT ENCOUNTER, IF HE HAD NEVER MET THE HUMAN WOMAN, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN HAPPIER THAN ANYONE ELSE

HE STOOD UNDER THE BRIGHT LIGHT OF THE FULL MOON JUST LIKE TODAY
WHO IS IT...
WHO IS THE PERSON THAT CALLS FOR ME SO DESPERATELY..?
HHHHHHAAA

FLASH

AREN'T YOU THE ANGEL OF DEATH?
THIS WOMAN FELL FROM THE CLIFF, BUT I HESITATE BECAUSE IT'S NOT HER TIME TO DIE YET.
YOU ARE THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS FROM THE EAST DOKEBI LAND.

IF I LEAVE HER HERE, SOMETHING WILL DEFINITELY GO WRONG, BUT AS THE ANGEL OF DEATH I CAN'T SAVE HER EITHER. I WAS PERPLEXED. THANK GOODNESS YOU CAME.
I LEAVE HER TO YOUR CARE, YOUR MAJESTY.
THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE SOMETHING THE ANGEL OF DEATH WOULD SAY.
HAHA... WOULD MY ANSWER SATISFY YOU IF I SAID SHE AND I BRUSHED UPON EACH OTHER THROUGH FATE AS THIN AS A WISPY BREEZE?



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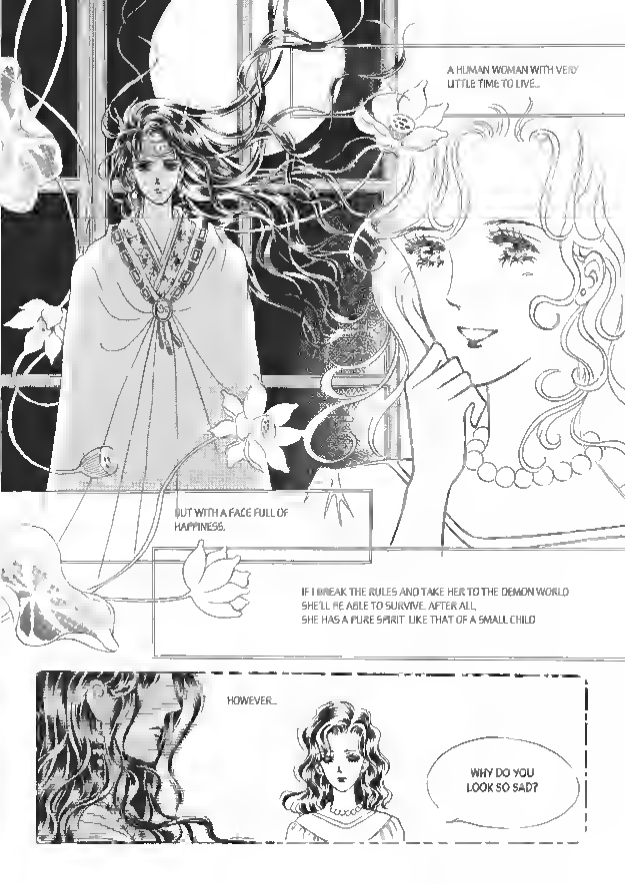
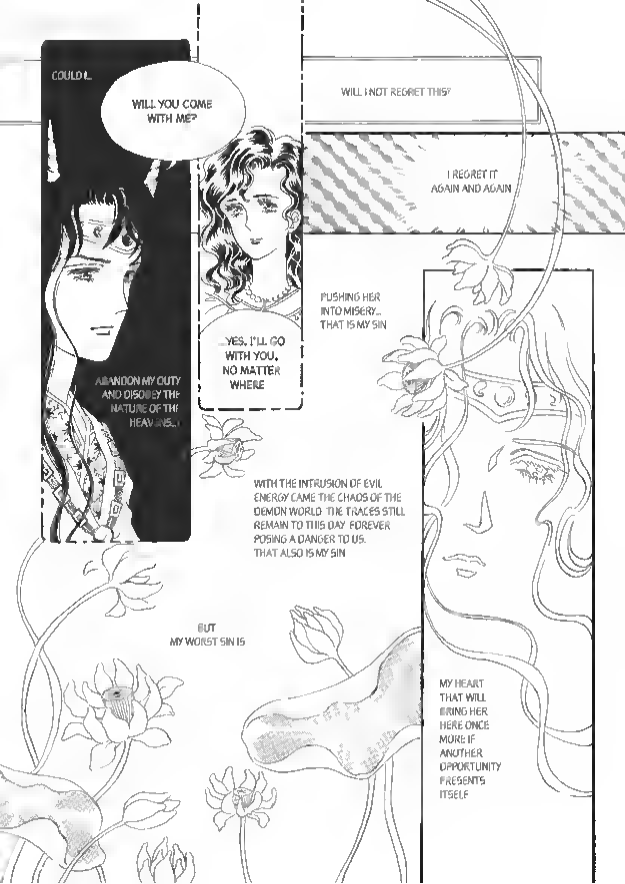
IS THIS... ME?
YOU...
YOU'RE HERE, GREAT KING OF DARKNESS...
WHY IS THIS IN THE HUMAN WORLD ?
I'M FINALLY MEETING YOU.
HE SAID IT WAS THE WORK OF A NAMELESS ARTIST WHO A LONG TIME AGO WAS ABLE TO PEEK INTO THE DEMON WORLD ON THE NIGHT OF THE FULL MOON

ARE YOU THE ONE WHO CALLED OUT TO ME ?
YOU'RE A STRANGE LADY.
UPON SEEING ME IT MAKES SENSE FOR PEOPLE TO GET FRIGHTENED AND RUN AWAY. BUT WHY DO YOU PUT ON SUCH A FRIENDLY FACE?
BECAUSE I'M HAPPY.

THE MOON IS FADING
SHH
SMSH
IF SHE DIDN'T HAVE SUCH A SHORT TIME TO LIVE
WHY ARE YOU SO RECKLESS WITH YOUR LIFE?
WITHOUT YOU, GREAT KING OF DARKNESS, MY LIFE HAS NO MEANING
I'VE LIVED SO FAR.. IN ORDER TO.. MEET YOU
SHE WON'T WANDER AROUND AND FALL IN DOWN THE CLIFF TRYING TO SEE MY BRUTISH APPEARANCE
THE SAD FATE BETWEEN THE TWO WOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED.
DON'T GO.
PLEASE DON'T GO, YOUR MAJESTY
I LOVE YOU.


A HUMAN WOMAN WITH VERY LITTLE TIME TO LIVE...
BUT WITH A FACE FULL OF HAPPINESS.
IF I BREAK THE RULES AND TAKE HER TO THE DEMON WORLD SHE'LL BE ABLE TO SURVIVE. AFTER ALL, SHE HAS A PURE SPIRIT LIKE THAT OF A SMALL CHILD
HOWEVER...
WHY DO YOU LOOK SO SAD?


COULD I...
WILL YOU COME WITH ME?
ABANDON MY DUTY AND DISOBEY THE NATURE OF THE HEAVENS...!
YES. I'LL GO WITH YOU, NO MATTER WHERE
WILL I NOT REGRET THIS?
I REGRET IT AGAIN AND AGAIN
PUSHING HER INTO MISERY... THAT IS MY SIN
WITH THE INTRUSION OF EVIL ENERGY CAME THE CHAOS OF THE DEMON WORLD. THE TRACES STILL REMAIN TO THIS DAY. FOREVER POSING A DANGER TO US. THAT ALSO IS MY SIN
BUT MY WORST SIN IS
MY HEART THAT WILL BRING HER HERE ONCE MORE IF ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS ITSELF

WHO IS THAT LYING IN THE POND OF CONFUSION?
PRINCE SIRIUS OF THE UNICORN KINGDOM?!
HOW DID HE AND THIS CONDITION IS...

THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS...
AH RIGHT THIS IS HANBIT'S ROOM.
WHY AM I HERE?
THROB
AH MY HEAD HURTS

SIRIUS!
YOU'RE AWAKE, MISTY RAIN HOW ARE
MISTY-RAIN -
SIRIUS, ARE YOU BACK?

SIRIUS -
SIRIUS -
ANSWER ME, SIRIUS -

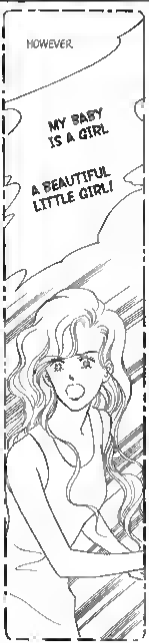
DOING NOTHING BUT STUPID THINGS
DARN... I SHOULD HAVE SENT HIM BACK, EVEN IF IT MEANT BEATING HIM..
WILL YOU FORGIVE ME?
PLEASE... PLEASE BE ALIVE...
BE ALIVE, SIRIUS.

I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE SIRIUS WENT BACK TO HIS COUNTRY BECAUSE OF AN EMERGENCY.
WELL... SHE ALWAYS ARGUED WITH SIRIUS BUT SHE REALLY LIKED HIM.
MISTY RAIN, YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO SEE OUR AUNTIE, RIGHT?
... YOU WANT TO COME WITH US?

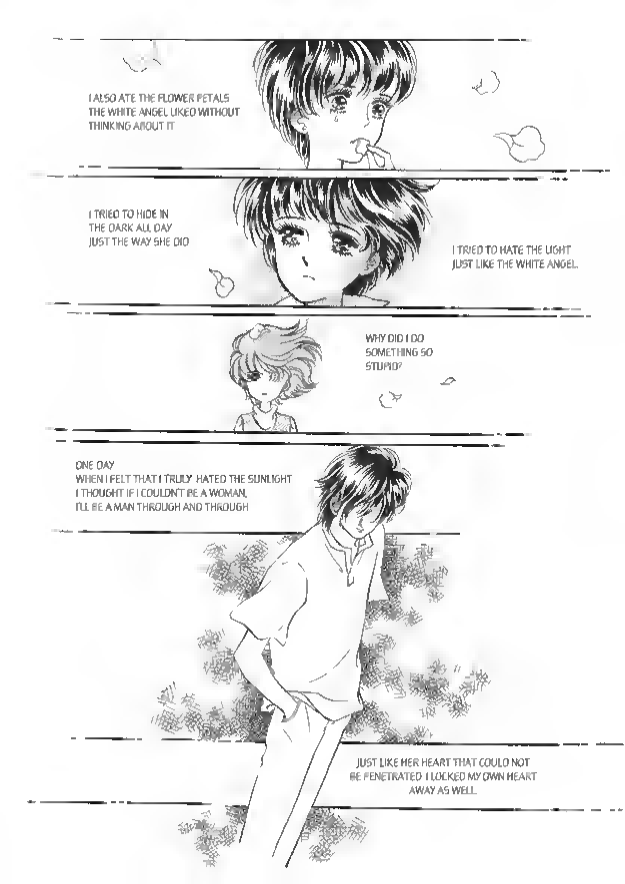
I TOLD YOU, NO~
THIS MIGHT BE THE LAST TIME, HANBIT
I SAID NO I'M NOT GOING.
YOU STILL LOVE HER.
SO.. YOU'LL REGRET THIS DAY FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE

I WON'T REGRET IT
I'LL NEVER REGRET

LOVE..?.. YES I DID LOVE HER ONCE.
I DON'T LIKE SUNLIGHT... THE SUNLIGHT.
HE DOESN'T COME TO ME WHEN IT'S BRIGHT OUT.
I DON'T LIKE IT.
SHE LOOKED SO FRAGILE, SO PITIFUL... EVEN IN THE MIND OF A YOUNG CHILD I WANTED TO PROTECT HER WITH ALL MY HEART. HOWEVER...


HOWEVER
MY BABY IS A GIRL
A BEAUTIFUL LITTLE GIRL!

I THOUGHT HOW NICE IT WOULD BE IF I WERE A GIRL.
DO YOU WANT ME TO BE YOUR DAUGHTER?
THEN I THOUGHT SHE MIGHT GIVE ME HER SMILES LIKE THE FIRST TIME... I WAS HURT OVER AND OVER AGAIN WHY WAS I RELUCTANT TO GIVE UP?


I ALSO ATE THE FLOWER PETALS
THE WHITE ANGEL LIKED WITHOUT
THINKING ABOUT IT
I TRIED TO HIDE IN
THE DARK ALL DAY
JUST THE WAY SHE DID
I TRIED TO HATE THE LIGHT
JUST LIKE THE WHITE ANGEL.
WHY DID I DO
SOMETHING SO
STUPID?
ONE DAY
WHEN I FELT THAT I TRULY HATED THE SUNLIGHT
I THOUGHT IF I COULDN'T BE A WOMAN,
I'LL BE A MAN THROUGH AND THROUGH
JUST LIKE HER HEART THAT COULD NOT
BE PENETRATED I LOCKED MY OWN HEART
AWAY AS WELL.

MISTY-RAIN...
STOMP
STOMP
I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS THAT YOU WANT TO ASK AUNTIE, BUT YOU SHOULDN'T EXPECT TOO MUCH FROM HER.
AUNTIE ISN'T NORMAL.
SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING...
AND CAN'T SEE ANYTHING
THAT'S HOW SHE EXISTS
I WANTED TO MEET HER SO MUCH, BUT...
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS NOW
I'M ONLY... WORRIED ABOUT SIRIUS.
SIRIUS -- PLEASE...
PLEASE BE ALIVE.

ROAR
BRING THE SEDATIVE HURRY
ROAR
HOLD HER TIGHT!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
THE COMMOTION LOOKS LIKE IT'S COMING FROM AUNTIE S ROOM.

WHAT'S GOING ON? WHAT'S HAPPENING?
THE PATIENT IS HAVING A FIT.
WHAT?
THIS NEVER HAPPENED BEFORE. I DON'T KNOW WHY
SHE'S ON THE VERGE OF DEATH? WHY IS SHE SO STRONG? TWO MEN CAN BARELY HOLD HER DOWN.
LET US THROUGH. PLEASE MOVE OVER. WE'RE HER FAMILY.
IT'S DANGEROUS FOR YOU TO GO INSIDE.
SHE'S IN A HIGH STATE OF EXCITEMENT

I SAID I DON'T WANT TO!
NO~
MINI CALM DOWN
FATHER?
YOUR FACE
MR. HAN
YOU GUYS ARE HERE, TOO.

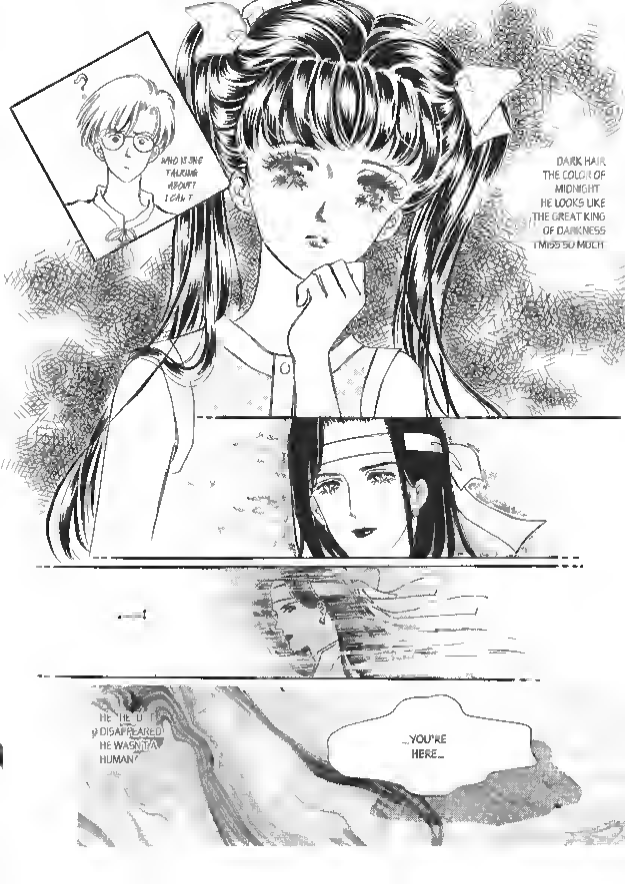
LET GO - LET ME GO
I NEED TO SEND HIM BACK...
I MUST SEND HIM BACK!
WHO IS SHE TALKING ABOUT?
I DON'T KNOW.
SHE'S BEEN SCREAMING AT THE WALL FOR A WHILE.

SHHF
NO DON'T COME NEAR ME!
CALM DOWN NOBODY IS COMING FOR YOU
STAY AWAY FROM ME!
NOBODY IS COMING TO TAKE YOU AWAY, MISS SEHEE

PLEASE...
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT TO GO...
IT'S JUST THAT I CAN'T RIGHT NOW... NOT YET
NOT YET... I CAN'T LEAVE LIKE THIS.
SEHEE...
I NEVER SAW HER, NOT ONCE
I NEVER GOT TO SEE HER. NOT ONCE!

I NEVER EVEN GOT TO HOLD HER...
WITH THESE HANDS

DOCTOR, HERE
GARAM, THERE'S A MAN BY THE WALL OVER THERE..
A MAN? WHERE?
OVER THERE, THE ONE WITH THE LONG HAIR...
HE'S LOOKING AT US.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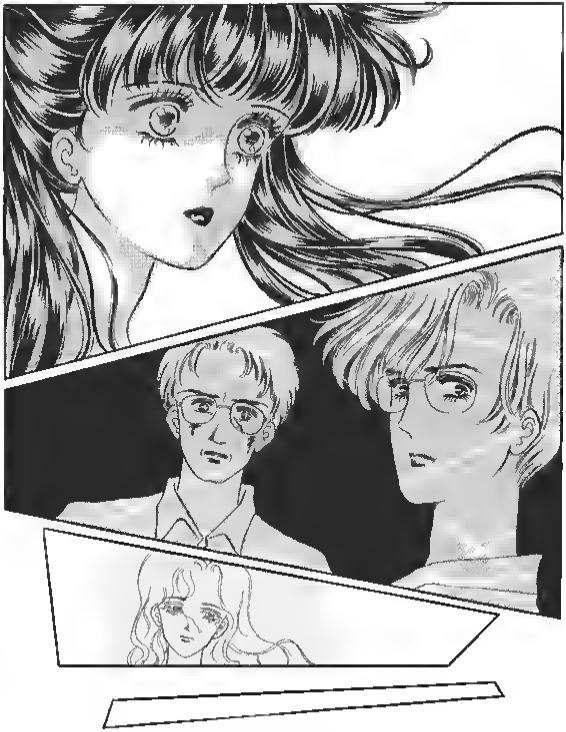
WHO IS SHE TALKING ABOUT? I CAN'T
DARK HAIR THE COLOR OF MIDNIGHT HE LOOKS LIKE THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS I MISS SO MUCH
HE...HE D... DISAPPEARED! HE WASN'T A HUMAN?
...YOU'RE HERE...

YES
YOU'RE FINALLY HERE.
MR. HAN,
LET HER GO.

AUNTIE?
HERE, LET ME SEE YOUR FACE
SWISH

ONLY HER HAIR TURNED WHITE. BUT HER FACE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL. I CAN TELL RIGHT AWAY.



WHERE IS THIS PLACE?
WHY AM I HERE ?

AH... RIGHT. I WAS FIGHTING THE SEA WITCH NO MEDUSA...
AM I DEAD?
IS THIS THE UNDERWORLD?
NO.
THIS IS THE WORLD OF YOUR CONTEMPLATION.
MISTY-RAIN!

I'M A UNICORN, YOUR GUARDIAN SPIRIT.
IS THAT WHAT I APPEAR TO YOU?
THEN, THE PERSON YOU WANT TO SEE MOST OF ALL RIGHT NOW IS HER.
GUARDIAN SPIRIT
THAT'S RIGHT, GUARDIAN SPIRIT... DID YOU SAVE MY LIFE?
NO, I COULD NOT SAVE YOU I DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY.
NOT ME, NOR ANYONE ELSE

DID YOU FORGET?
YOU SWORE AN OATH BY THE STYX RIVER WITH MEDUSA.
THAT'S WHEN YOUR LIFE AND YOUR SOUL BECAME HERS.
AND KNOWN THE VERY [illegible]
...THEN, WHY AM I NOT DEAD?

THAT'S SOMETHING EVEN I CAN'T COMPREHEND EASILY.
FORTUNATELY, SOMETHING STRONGER THAN DEATH WAS WITHIN YOUR HEART THAT POWERFUL WILL RESONATED WITH MY STRENGTH AND A STRAND OF YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS WAS PRESERVED.
...SO, I'M NEITHER DEAD NOR ALIVE.
GUARDIAN SPIRIT- NOW THAT I M IN THIS STATE A LOT OF THINGS ARE CROSSING MY MIND.
.. GOOD TIMES BAD TIMES... SUCCESSFUL TIMES.. REGRETTABLE TIMES...
AND..
THE TIME WHEN MISTY-RAIN CRIED FOR ME...

THAT'S SOMETHING TO BE HAPPY ABOUT.
YES, I WAS HAPPY.
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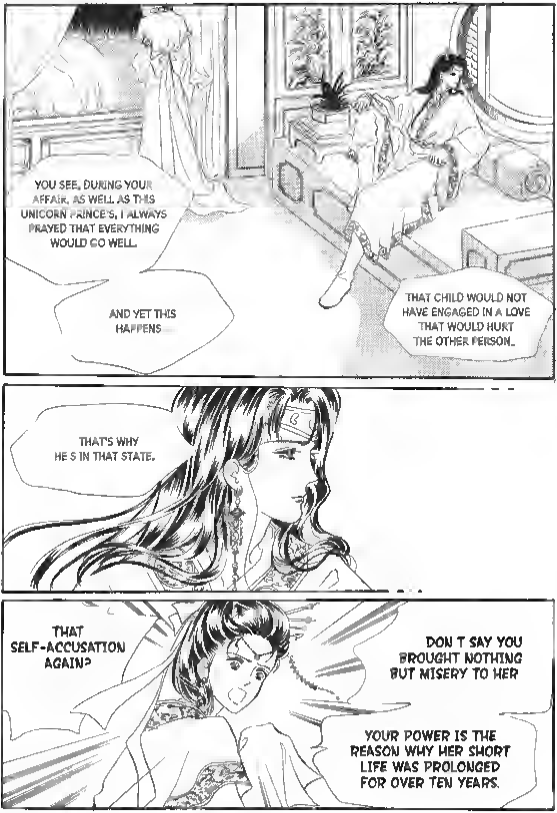
NOW, I UNDERSTAND
THE STRONG WILL THAT SAVED YOU.. WAS LOVE.
HAVE COURAGE. I'M CERTAIN SOMETHING GOOD WILL HAPPEN.
WHAT HAPPENED JUST NOW IS A MIRACLE.
AND MIRACLES CAN BRING ABOUT OTHER MIRACLES.

IT WAS A MIRACLE
THAT HE WAS ABLE TO ARRIVE AT THE POND OF CONFUSION IN THIS PHYSICAL STATE WITHOUT BEING DISSOLVED AT THE CREVICE OF DIMENSIONS
I'VE HEARD THE RUMORS, BUT HE'S INDEED A VERY HANDSOME BOY.
THIS PRINCE... IS LIKE YOU BROTHER.
HE LOVED A HUMAN. THAT INNOCENCE KEEPS HIM DEDICATED TOWARDS ONE PERSON.


YOU SEE, DURING YOUR AFFAIR, AS WELL AS THIS UNICORN PRINCE'S, I ALWAYS PRAYED THAT EVERYTHING WOULD GO WELL.
AND YET THIS HAPPENS
THAT CHILD WOULD NOT HAVE ENGAGED IN A LOVE THAT WOULD HURT THE OTHER PERSON.
THAT'S WHY HE'S IN THAT STATE.
THAT SELF-ACCUSATION AGAIN?
DON'T SAY YOU BROUGHT NOTHING BUT MISERY TO HER
YOUR POWER IS THE REASON WHY HER SHORT LIFE WAS PROLONGED FOR OVER TEN YEARS.

I'M SURE SHE HAD A HAPPY LIFE SINCE THEN THAT'S ENOUGH FOR YOU TO NOT BE MISERABLE.
AFTER THE DAY I SENT HER BACK...
THE TIME I SPENT TRYING NOT TO THINK OF HER...
HAS SHE BEEN HAPPY?
WHEN I BROUGHT HER TO THE DEMON WORLD I DISRUPTED THE BALANCE BECAUSE A HUMAN HAD ENTERED A WORLD WHERE HUMANS SHOULD NOT EXIST.

SHE NEEDED TO ERASE EVERY HUMAN QUALITY WHILE QUARANTINED HERE IN THE MIDDLE REALM FOR ONE HUNDRED DAYS.
DO YOU REALLY WANT TO TRY, YOUR MAJESTY?
THERE WAS A LOT OF CHAOS.
IN A HUNDRED DAYS, WILL I TURN INTO A DOKEBI?
THEN I'LL BE ABLE TO LIVE WITH YOU FOREVER?
YES
REMEMBER, IF THE SECRET METHOD BREAKS THE TWO OF YOU WILL NEVER SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.
YES.

EVERYDAY SPENT IN ANXIETY
YES, BUT HEAVEN FORBID THAT YOU COME INTO CONTACT WITH A HUMAN THEN EVERYTHING WILL FAIL.
DON'T WORRY.
MY STRANGE ABILITY HAS VANISHED IN THIS PLACE, BUT I HAVE A FEELING THAT I'LL BE HAPPY FROM NOW ON ..
AH, YES. I THINK WE WERE HAPPY
ABOVE ALL, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR A HUMAN TO ENTER THIS WORLD.

TIME AND SPACE WERE DISTORTED FOR ONE MOMENT
THE BOY FROM FAR IN THE FUTURE FELL INTO THE CREVICE OF DIMENTIONS
AT THAT MOMENT, HER DEVOTION AND DREAM OF NINETY DAYS SHATTERED WITH A COLD SOUND.

GREAT KING OF DARKNESS, A GUEST HAS ARRIVED FROM THE KINGDOM OF THE UNICORNS.
PLEASE SHOW HIM IN..
UM. HOWEVER..

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THE YOUNG GREAT KING OF DARKNESS OF THE DOKERIS WHO GUARD THE DEMON WORLD AT THE ANCIENT SACRED SITE OF THE PHOENIX.
WE HAVE NEGLECTED ALL ETIQUETTE BY BARGING IN LIKE THIS WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.
FORGIVE ME
THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS OF THE UNICORN KINGDOM, IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE LAST MET!

WE HEARD THAT OUR PRINCE IS STAYING WITH YOU...
YES THIS WAY...
FATHER, WE'RE ONE OF THE DEITY CLANS.
HOW COME WE LIVE IN THE DEMON WORLD AND NOT IN HEAVEN?
THERE ARE MANY HIDEOUS ANIMALS AND MONSTERS HERE.

SIRIUS, WE ARE NOT JUST LIVING HERE.
ALONG WITH THE TWO HORNED DOKEBIS, DESCENDANTS OF THE EASTERN PHOENIX CLAN, US UNICORNS ARE THE GUARDIANS THAT PROTECT THE DEMON WORLD.
IT IS OUR DUTY TO KEEP THE DEMONS FROM BREAKING AWAY TO OTHER WORLDS AND TO CLEANSE THIS PLACE.
AH
THEREFORE, WE MUST KEEP THE RULES OF THE DEMON WORLD, MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
YES-
WHAT WILL YOU DO?
THIS CHILD IS ONLY RECEIVING THE PENALTY FOR THE HORRIBLE CRIME HE'S COMMITTED

WOW- FATHER!
THERE ARE HUGE BIRDS IN THE SKY...
MY CHILD, THOSE AREN'T BIRDS. THEY'RE ONE HORNED DOKEBI CLAN OF THE WEST AND ITS GUARDIAN SPIRIT THEY CALL UNICORN.

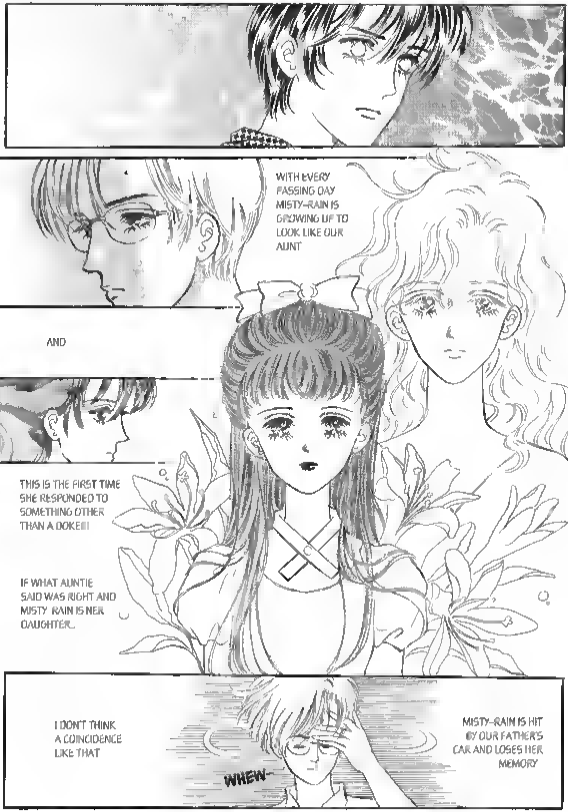
BUT, IT'S STRANGE.
WHY SO MANY OF THEM?

SO, THE LOVELY PRINCE WILL DIE LIKE THAT?
WHEN THE ONE STRAND OF ENERGY THAT STILL CONNECTS HIM TO LIFE DISAPPEARS

LOOKS LIKE AUNTIE HAS FALLEN INTO A DEEP SLEEP.
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BECAUSE OF THE MEDICATION.
YOU GUYS SHOULD GO BACK NOW.
WHAT?
I DON'T THINK YOUR AUNT WILL WAKE UP TODAY.
PLEASE GO, GARAM.
IS MY AUNT ALL RIGHT?
I THINK THIS GIRL WILL BE A GREAT HELP IN TREATING YOUR AUNT.
PERHAPS, I'LL HAVE SOME GOOD NEWS BY THE NEXT TIME YOU VISIT.
MISTY-RAIN.

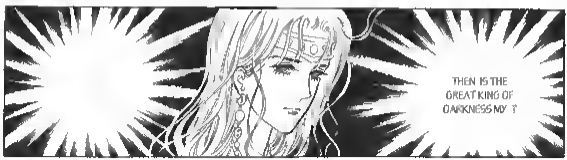
MISTY RAIN
MISTY RAIN... MY FATHER IS CALLING YOU, MISTY RAIN
YES, MR. HAN?
...THAT NECKLACE.
THE NECKLACE?
...NOTHING. WE'LL TALK ABOUT IT LATER.

WHAT NONSENSE!
YOU BELIEVE THE WORDS OF A CRAZY PERSON? HAVE YOU GONE MAD TOO BRO?
BUT, I'VE NEVER SEEN HER LIKE THAT BEFORE.
IF YOU ONLY SAW IT, TOO..
SHE SAID SO CLEARLY THAT MISTY RAIN IS HER DAUGHTER..
THAT'S WHY SHE'S CRAZY
DO YOU THINK SHE'S IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL FOR NO REASON?
..BUT DON'T THEY LOOK SO MUCH ALIKE?


WITH EVERY PASSING DAY MISTY-RAIN IS GROWING UP TO LOOK LIKE OUR AUNT
AND
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME SHE RESPONDED TO SOMETHING OTHER THAN A DOKEE!!
IF WHAT AUNTIE SAID WAS RIGHT AND MISTY RAIN IS HER DAUGHTER..
I DON'T THINK A COINCIDENCE LIKE THAT
WHEW
MISTY-RAIN IS HIT BY OUR FATHER'S CAR AND LOSES HER MEMORY

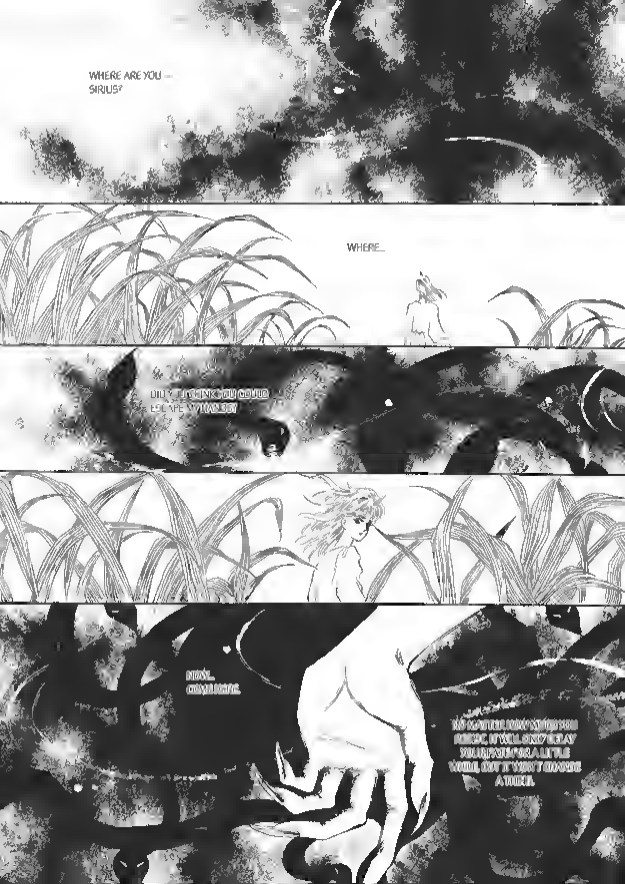
...BUT...
PERHAPS...
THAT WAS WHAT GOD HAD FATED IN THE FIRST PLACE...
THE ROOM WAS FULL OF IMAGES OF THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS
INDEED. THE PORTRAIT I SAW IN HIS MAJESTY'S ROOM. THE HUMAN FORM OF THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS WAS ALSO HANFIT'S AUNT

HE WHITE ANGEL
AND
THE WOMAN WHO MIGHT BE MY MOMMY



YOU'RE A HUMAN CHILD.
MY BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER, I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU.
EVERYDAY EVERYDAY
IF I REALLY AM THE DAUGHTER OF THE WHITE ANGEL, WHY WAS I ABANDONED?
MR. HAN SAID WITH CERTAINTY THAT HER DAUGHTER WAS DEAD
MY BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER.
NO. I'M THE CHILD OF A HUMAN
I DON'T GROW HORNS NOR DO I HAVE FANGS

I DON'T KNOW
SO MANY THINGS
ARE HAPPENING SO
SUDDENLY
I REALLY DON'T KNOW
WHAT I WANT

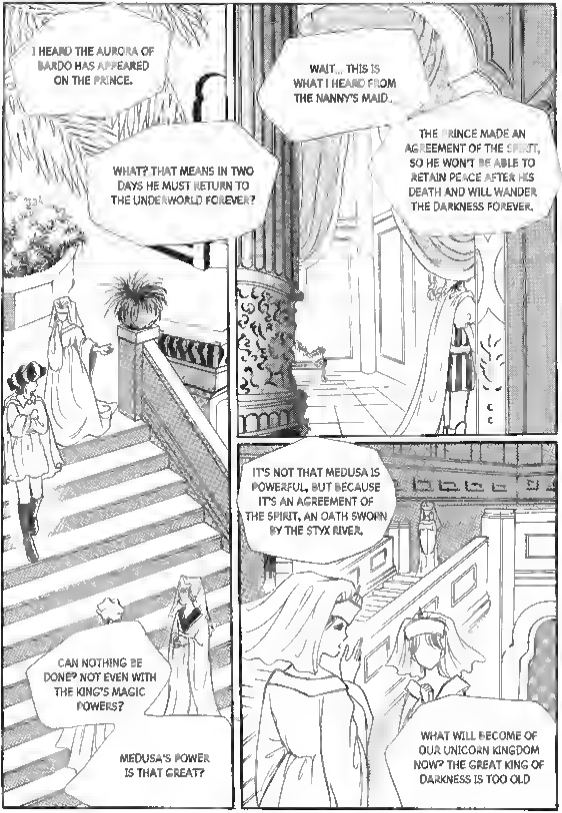

WHERE ARE YOU — SIRIUS?
WHERE...
NOAH.
GRANDMA.
AS A MATTER OF FACT, I DON'T KNOW EITHER. IT'LL SOON BE MY TURN, BUT I'M A LITTLE AFRAID, SO I'LL JUST WAIT A WHILE.

YOUR HIGHNESS, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

YOU SHOULDN'T CROSS THIS RIVER, YOUR HIGHNESS - .
YOUR HIGHNESS!

YOUR HIGHNESS
YOUR HIGHNESS
NANNY, A CRISIS
THERE'S SOMETHING
WRONG WITH PRINCE
SIRIUS

THIS IS THE AURORA OF BARDO
BETWEEN THE STATE OF LIFE
AND DEATH THAT ONLY APPEARS
ON UNICORNS ON THE VERGE OF
DEATH...!
PRINCE SIRIUS...
PLOP


I HEARD THE AURORA OF BARDO HAS APPEARED ON THE PRINCE.
WHAT? THAT MEANS IN TWO DAYS HE MUST RETURN TO THE UNDERWORLD FOREVER?
CAN NOTHING BE DONE? NOT EVEN WITH THE KING'S MAGIC POWERS?
MEDUSA'S POWER IS THAT GREAT?
WAIT... THIS IS WHAT I HEARD FROM THE NANNY'S MAID...
THE PRINCE MADE AN AGREEMENT OF THE SPIRIT, SO HE WON'T BE ABLE TO RETAIN PEACE AFTER HIS DEATH AND WILL WANDER THE DARKNESS FOREVER.
IT'S NOT THAT MEDUSA IS POWERFUL, BUT BECAUSE IT'S AN AGREEMENT OF THE SPIRIT, AN OATH SWORN BY THE STYX RIVER.
WHAT WILL BECOME OF OUR UNICORN KINGDOM NOW? THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS IS TOO OLD

SHHHH - .
IT'S TRUE.
PRINCE SIRIUS IS SUPPOSED TO INHERIT THE THRONE UPON HIS COMING-OF-AGE CEREMONY, BUT NOW HE HAS FALLEN INTO A NEAR-DEATH STATE.
EVER SINCE I SAW THIS NECKLACE..
I THOUGHT PERHAPS YOU MIGHT BE MY NIECE.

DON'T YOU THINK THE OTHER HALF OF THIS TAEGEUK PATTERN IS IDENTICAL TO YOUR NECKLACE?
THIS IS...
WILL YOU OPEN THIS?
RUSTLE
BUT
YOUR AUNT HAS THE OTHER HALF OF THE TAEGEUK.

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL US BEFORE? YOU HAD CLEAR EVIDENCE RIGHT HERE...
BECAUSE YOUR AUNT DOESN'T HAVE A DAUGHTER THIS OLD
IT'S TRUE THAT YOUR AUNT GAVE BIRTH TO A BABY, BUT IT DIED RIGHT AFTER BIRTH
AT LEAST, THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN LED TO BELIEVE...
NOW DID THAT...
I DON'T KNOW
IT'S JUST THAT
CONSIDERING YOUR AUNT HAS ABILITIES THAT NO ONE ELSE HAS...
I THINK WHAT SHE SAID ABOUT MISTY RAIN MIGHT ALSO BE TRUE...
FORTUNATELY, IT SEEMS LIKE YOUR AUNT'S HEALTH HAS GOTTEN A LOT BETTER.
WHEN SHE RECOVERS A BIT MORE, I'M PLANNING TO LOOK INTO WHAT HAPPENED BACK THEN.

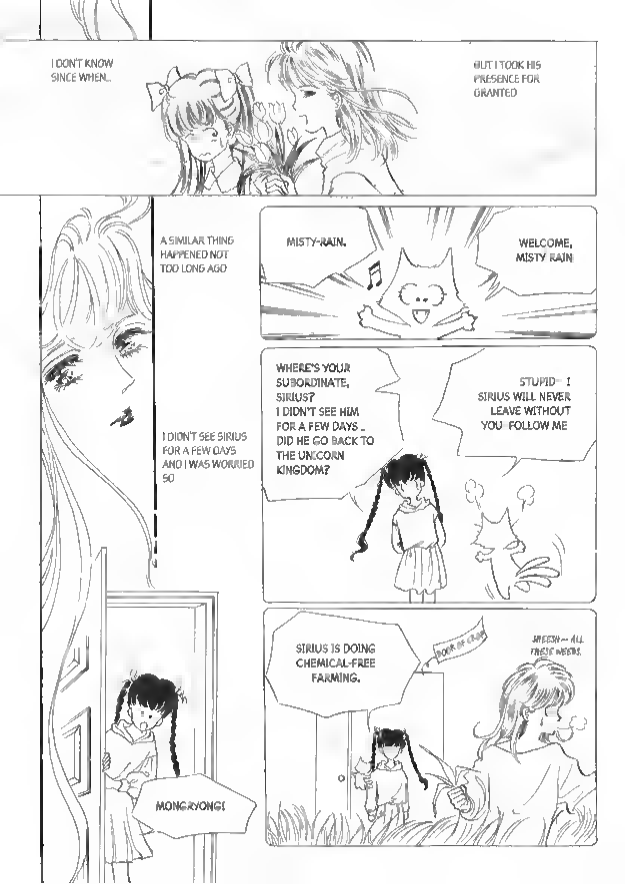
I'M AMAZED..
IF YOU, MISTY RAIN, ARE INDEED MY NIECE..
NO. I'M CERTAIN THAT YOU RE MY NIECE. IT ALL SEEMS LIKE A COINCIDENCE, BUT ISN'T EVERYTHING FALLING INTO PLACE LIKE PIECES IN A PUZZLE?
I'M SURE YOU RUNNING INTO MY CAR WAS GOD'S WAY OF SENDING YOU TO YOUR FAMILY.
MR. HAN
I'M NOT MR. NAN ANYMORE. BUT YOUR UNCLE.
CALL ME UNCLE.
I HOPE YOUR MOTHER WILL RECOVER HER HEALTH SOON SO OUR FAMILY CAN LIVE TOGETHER IN PEACE AND HAPPINESS
THEN, SHE'S MY.. COUSIN?
MISTY RAIN IS REALLY OUR COUSIN?
THAT DAY WILL COME SOON.

JEEZ... ARE YOU SURE YOU DIDN'T GO CRAZY YOURSELF BY GOING TO A PLACE LIKE THAT SO FREQUENTLY, FATHER?
I THINK I'M GONNA GO WEIRD IF I KEE- HEARING THIS NONSENSE.
HANBIT -- HOW CAN YOU BE SO DISRESPECTFUL TO FATHER...
FLINCH
SWISH
DON'T MIND HIM. HE PROBABLY DIDN'T SAY THAT OUT OF MALICE
IT'S JUST THAT HE'S SO SHOCKED ..
GARAM...

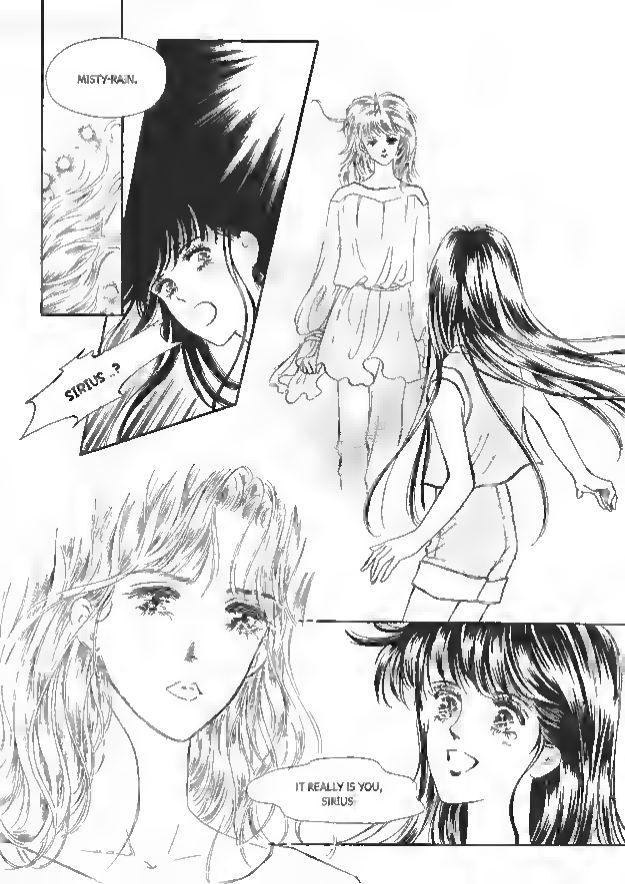
I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE REALLY MY COUSIN..
YES
FOR A WHILE WHENEVER I SAW YOU I WOULD THINK ABOUT HOW MUCH YOU RESEMBLE OUR AUNT
I..
STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON..
MY MOTHER..?
AND MY COUSINS
..GREAT KING OF DARKNESS..
KEEP THIS WELL. IT'S THE ONLY PROOF OF YOUR IDENTITY

SIRIUS' HOUSE WITHOUT SIRIUS...
WAS IT THIS LARGE AND EMPTY?

HE'S BEEN LIVING ALONE
IN A PLACE LIKE THIS.
THE PRINCE OF UNICORNS WHO LACKED NOTHING
DID THIS FOR ME, A HUMAN CHILD...


I DON'T KNOW SINCE WHEN..
BUT I TOOK HIS PRESENCE FOR GRANTED
A SIMILAR THING HAPPENED NOT TOO LONG AGO
MISTY-RAIN.
WELCOME, MISTY RAIN
I DIDN'T SEE SIRIUS FOR A FEW DAYS AND I WAS WORRIED SO
WHERE'S YOUR SUBORDINATE, SIRIUS? I DIDN'T SEE HIM FOR A FEW DAYS .. DID HE GO BACK TO THE UNICORN KINGDOM?
STUPID~ I SIRIUS WILL NEVER LEAVE WITHOUT YOU! FOLLOW ME
MONGRYONG!
SIRIUS IS DOING CHEMICAL-FREE FARMING.
KNOCK ON CLAW
SHEESH~ ALL FRESH WEEDS.

AH IT'S HOT.
BUT, I HAVE TO HARVEST THE RICE, I'M GOING TO MAKE DINNER FOR MISTY RAIN WITH CHEMICAL-FREE GRAINS BASED ON ORGANIC FARMING TECHNIQUES I DEVELOPED
NOWADAYS, FARM PRODUCE IN THE HUMAN WORLD IS HARMFUL BECAUSE OF TOO MUCH PESTICIDE.
SIRIUS REALLY LOVES YOU
HMM.. HE'S DOING THESE UN-MANLY THINGS AGAIN WHY DON'T I RATHER MORAYANA MYSELF
SIRIUS.. MONGRYONG..
I CAN'T BELIEVE MONGRYONG DISAPPEARED WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING TO ME EITHER..
EVER SINCE WE LEFT THE DOKEBI LAND WE WERE TOGETHER FOR A LONG TIME..
MISTY-RAIN


MISTY-RAIN.
SIRIUS ..?
IT REALLY IS YOU, SIRIUS

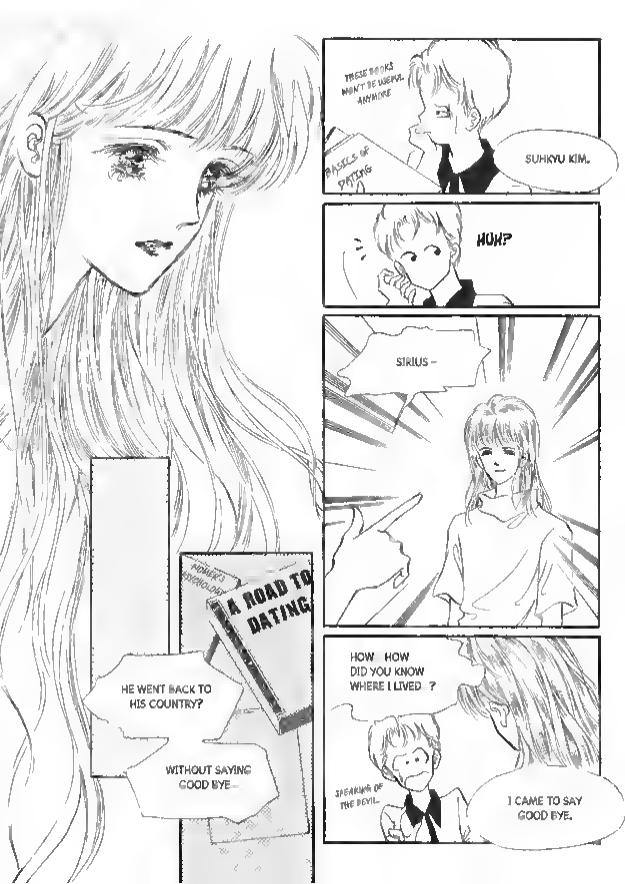
I CAME TO SAY GOOD BYE.
I WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE YOU AGAIN
YOU'RE GOING BACK TO THE DEMON WORLD FOREVER, AREN'T YOU?
YES, YES., THAT'S A GOOD CHOICE.
THE HUMAN WORLD IS HARMFUL FOR YOU

...ALL THIS TIME...
I THOUGHT I WAS LUCKY TO BE A PART OF LIFE, EVEN AT ITS FURTHEST CORNER.
SIRIUS...
AND I M THE ONE WHO TWISTED YOUR FATE AROUND...
DON'T BE A FOOL...
THAT'S NOT TRUE.
I CAN'T BELIEVE I HAVE TO LEAVE LIKE THIS WITHOUT PUTTING YOU BACK ON TO YOUR RIGHTFUL PATH.
I'M REALLY SORRY...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
I DIDN'T GO THROUGH ANYTHING BAD BECAUSE OF YOU.
I'VE BEEN THINKING AS WELL.
BUT, THEN I REALIZED THAT I'M BACK WHERE I BELONG

I'VE BEEN THINKING A LOT ABOUT YOU, TOO.
I WANTED TO SEE YOU AGAIN. THERE'S SOMETHING I HAD TO TELL YOU.
I MET MY MOMMY.
...
MY REAL MOMMY WHO GAVE BIRTH TO ME.
NOW I LEARNED THAT THIS WORLD IS WHERE I'M GOING TO BE.
I DECIDED NOT TO MISS THE DOKEBI WORLD
SO.

AH ACK.
GET AWAY FROM ME RIGHT NOW
THAT'S GOOD.
I'M HAPPY.
HAPPY OR SAD JUST LET ME BE ME AND TALK ABOUT IT
LET GO— LET ME GO.

THERE ARE MANY... MANY MORE YEARS AHEAD OF YOU... AND THE FACT THAT I COULDN'T PROTECT YOU UNTIL THE END HURTS ME...
I TOLD YOU DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME...
HMM...
YOU SHOULD HURRY BACK TO YOUR WORLD, REGAIN YOUR HEALTH, AND LIVE HAPPILY LIKE THE OLD DAYS.
AND CHANGE THIS ATTITUDE OF YOURS.
I WANTED TO MAKE YOU HAPPY ALL BY MYSELF
YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY
WHEREVER... WHENEVER, YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY...
I WON'T BE ABLE TO STOP WORRYING ABOUT YOU EVEN AS I WANDER THE UNDERWORLD
AS LONG AS I HAVE THE SMALLEST AMOUNT OF CONSCIOUSNESS LEFT
YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY ENOUGH SO THAT I... WON'T HAVE TO AGONIZE FOREVER
YOU MUST LIVE LIKE THAT...


THESE BOOKS WON'T BE USEFUL ANYMORE
PUZZLES OF DATING
SUHKYU KIM.
HUH?
SIRIUS –
HOW... HOW DID YOU KNOW WHERE I LIVED ?
I CAME TO SAY GOOD BYE.
SIRIUS OF THE DEVIL
HONEY'S ENCYCLOPEDIA
A ROAD TO DATING
HE WENT BACK TO HIS COUNTRY?
WITHOUT SAYING GOOD BYE...

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING
GOOD BYE
TAP
LOO ..LOOK. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT MISTY-RAIN, THE GIRL YOU LOVE SO MUCH?
WAIT, SIRIUS – I'LL TEACH YOU THE REAL REVOLUTIONARY METHOD IN LOVE
WHAM
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE MISTY-RAIN LIKE YOU WITHIN SECONDS.
DON'T GO, JUST WAIT THERE.
THE HEART IS COMPLETE

NOW, AWAKE.
MY DOLL.
MY SLAVE FOREVER.
SPARKLE
SSSS

MEDUSA, YOU EVIL DEMON OF THE SEA.
I HAVE COME TO MAKE A TRANSACTION REVEAL YOURSELF
OH MY. WHO IS THIS? THE NOBLE LADY OF THE UNICORN KINGDOM
SO. WHAT TRANSACTION DO YOU WANT?
TO EXCHANGE A LIFE FOR ANOTHER LIFE
MY LIFE YOU MEAN
OF COURSE MINE IN EXCHANGE FOR PRINCE SIRIUS
OH MY THE NANNY IS OVERESTIMATING THE VALUE OF HER OWN SOUL
SHHP
HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY COMPARE YOURSELF TO PRINCE SIRIUS?
I REFUSE UNEQUAL TRANSACTIONS, SUCH AS WHAT YOU'RE PROPOSING
THOSE EYES...
A PRESENT FROM YOUR PRINCE SIRIUS
THE MORE REASON WHY I CAN'T GIVE YOU BACK THE PRINCE.

BECAUSE HE MUST BE MY EYES
PRINCE SIRIUS
HOW DID HE GET HERE? HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE IN THE ROYAL CASTLE...
IT'S A STATUE I MADE AFTER WORKING THE HEART OF YOUR PRINCE. IT CAME TO LIFE
DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS AMUSING?
A SLAVE IN THE FIGURE OF THE PRINCE OF THE GREAT UNICORN CLAN

DO YOU DARE EXPECT TO BE SAFE AFTER INSULTING THE UNICORN CLAN?
OSCAR
THIS TRUSTED VOICE THE ENERGY OF PURITY
CAN THIS BE THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS OF THE UNICORN KINGDOM?
AND... STANDING NEXT TO HIM... THE MYSTERIOUS ENERGY OF THE PHOENIX
THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS OF THE EAST DOSERI LAND HAS COME TO MY HUMBLE ABODE AS WELL
GIVE ME BACK THE PRINCE.
HMMM! THE TRANSACTION WAS ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED. EVEN YOU CAN'T IGNORE AN OATH SWORN BY THE STYX RIVER.
IF YOU WISH TO CLEANSE THAT FOUL SOUL OF YOURS, EVEN A LITTLE BIT
WHAT AN HONOR.
YOU SHOULD UNBIND THE CONTRACT AND RELEASE SIRIUS.

ARE YOU NOT AFRAID OF DIVINE PUNISHMENT?
MY BIRTH WAS A DIVINE PUNISHMENT. SO THERE'S NOTHING LEFT FOR ME TO BE AFRAID OF.
BESIDES, IT WAS THE PRINCE WHO MADE THE DECISION. DIDN'T YOU KNOW?
WHAT HELP CAN SIRIUS' SOUL GIVE YOU? IF IT'S THE UNICORN KINGDOM YOU'RE AFTER, I'LL GIVE YOU MY SOUL INSTEAD.
THEN YOU'LL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN EVEN GREATER POWER.
LET THE PRINCE GO AND TAKE MY SOUL.
NO, YOUR MAJESTY
THEN...WHAT DO YOU NEED... WHAT SHOULD WE DO SO YOU CAN RELEASE THE PRINCE? WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT?
TELL US.
SILENCE. I HAVE NO NEED FOR AN AGED SOUL LIKE YOURS ANYWAY.
I'M AFRAID THROUGHOUT ALL THREE REALMS, VERY FEW CREATURES WHET MY DESIRES MORE THAN SIRIUS.
EXCEPT

IF THAT CREATURE WAS THE REPUTEFUL EAST DOKEBI'S GREAT KING OF DARKNESS...
HIS HEART, I'M SURE WILL BE WORTH EXCHANGING

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THA THAT'S...
THAT IS UNFORTUNATE MEDUSA.
BECAUSE THERE S NO HEART LEFT INSIDE ME.
I ALREADY GAVE MY HEART TO A CERTAIN WOMAN A LONG TIME AGO.
IF YOU CAN TAKE IT FROM HER, I'LL AGREE TO YOUR CONTRACT
WE CAN'T DO THAT- WE DON'T WANT ANY HARM COMING TO YOU BECAUSE OF OUR FLIGHT.
NO
I'M LARGELY ACCOUNTABLE FOR THIS SITUATION AS WELL.
IT ALL BEGAN WITH ME.
THEREFORE, I MUST BEAR THE RESPONSIBILITY

HUMUHU - THIS IS INTERESTING.
I'M SURE THAT WOMAN WAS THE ONE WHO TURNED THIS REALM UPSIDE DOWN A LONG TIME AGO. THE HUMAN WOMAN WHO BECAME QUEEN OF THE EAST DOREFI LAND
...IS THIS GOOD BYE...?
TRULY...?
FINE. WITH THIS THE OLD CONTRACT HAS BEEN ANNULLED AND A NEW AGREEMENT IS REACHED
NO I'M ALL RIGHT
IT WAS A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED DAYS, BUT I WAS HAPPIER THAN HAVING LIVED SOMEONE ELSE'S LIFE FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS
JUST THINKING ABOUT IT MAKES ME DROOL
IT'S JUST THAT I AM WORRIED ABOUT YOU.
THERE'S NO WAY I, THE MISTRESS OF ALL HATRED AND SPITE, CAN'T TAKE YOUR HEART FROM HER
THE WOMAN WHO HAS FALLEN INTO MISERY MUST LOATHE YOU BY NOW

YOU'RE LIKE THAT YOU PROBABLY BLAME YOURSELF FOR EVERYTHING
SO YOU'RE GOING TO BE IN PAIN FOR YEARS AND YEARS TO COME
I'M JUST WORRIED ABOUT THAT
THE SOUL OF THE EAST DOKEIN LAND'S GREAT KING OF DARKNESS WILL BE MINE

THE MOON IS SHINING BRIGHTER THAN USUAL. IS IT A FULL MOON?
IT'S NOT THE FULL MOON ANYMORE. TODAY IS THE 17TH ACCORDING TO THE LUNAR CALENDAR.
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IS THIS A DREAM, TOO?
A CRUEL, FINAL ILLUSION THE ANGEL OF DEATH IS SHOWING ME?

THIS ISN'T A DREAM DAUGHTER OF MAN
THE TIME HAS COME FOR YOUR REVENGE
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I HAVE BROUGHT YOU THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS THAT PUT YOU IN THIS MISERY.
TO HELP YOU TAKE YOUR REVENGE
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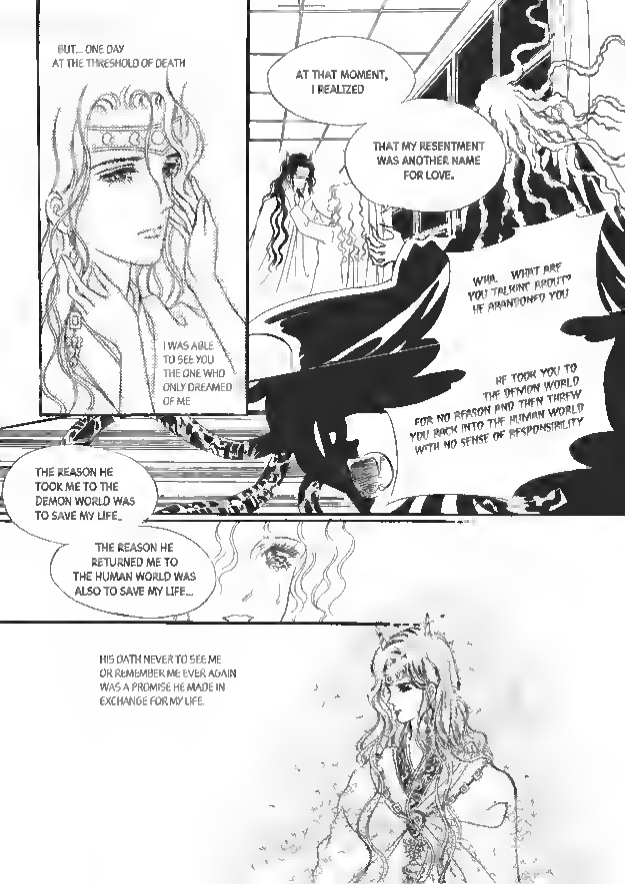
HEU
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
WHO ARE YOU?

I'M THE ONE WHO RULES DARKNESS AND TERROR YOUR SAVIOR
I'LL PAY BACK FOR YOU ALL THE GRUDGES AND SADNESS YOU HAVE SUFFERED SO SPEAK
RESENT THE PERSON WHO TURNED YOU INTO THIS CURSE HIM
YES. I'VE RESENTED YOU ALL THIS TIME
BECAUSE LOVING YOU MEANT PAIN, AND MISSING YOU MEANT EXTREME SOLITUDE-
EVERYDAY I DIED WITHIN THE RESENTMENT AND MISERY I HARBORED TOWARDS YOU.


BUT... ONE DAY AT THE THRESHOLD OF DEATH
I WAS ABLE TO SEE YOU THE ONE WHO ONLY DREAMED OF ME
AT THAT MOMENT, I REALIZED
THAT MY RESENTMENT WAS ANOTHER NAME FOR LOVE.
WHA... WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? HE ABANDONED YOU!
HE TOOK YOU TO THE DEMON WORLD FOR NO REASON AND THEN THREW YOU BACK INTO THE HUMAN WORLD WITH NO SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY
THE REASON HE TOOK ME TO THE DEMON WORLD WAS TO SAVE MY LIFE..
THE REASON HE RETURNED ME TO THE HUMAN WORLD WAS ALSO TO SAVE MY LIFE...
HIS OATH NEVER TO SEE ME OR REMEMBER ME EVER AGAIN WAS A PROMISE HE MADE IN EXCHANGE FOR MY LIFE.

BUT YOUR LIFE WAS WORSE THAN DEATH
ISN'T OVER TEN YEARS OF MISERY HORRIBLE TO YOU? DOES IT NOT MAKE YOU RESENTFUL?
I LOVE YOU
HURRY AND GIVE ME HIS HEART. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU STILL TO RETAIN ANY SORT OF LOVE FOR HIM
FOREVER..
FOOLISH MEDUSA.
YOU'LL NOT POSSESS ANYTHING
HOW CAN YOU DEFEAT THE SOUL THAT ENDURED THE DARKEST OF ALL MISERIES MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE IN THIS WORLD?

IT IS YOU WHO WILL VANISH
NO SUCH THING AS EVER LASTING LOVE
PRINCE SIRIUS?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
PRINCE SIRIUS
WHY THIS IS ABSURD
THERE CAN BE NO SUCH THING AS EVERLASTING LOVE

DID YOU SAY HER NAME WAS MEDUSA?
I WOULD LIKE TO THANK HER.
DON'T YOU THINK SO? YOU RE NOT THE KIND OF PERSON WHO WOULD BREAK THE PROMISE YOU MADE TO HEAVEN
THEREFORE

RIIIIIIING...
RIIIIIIING...
RIIIIIIING...
YAWN~
WHO'S CALLING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?
HELLO.

THIS IS THE
HOPE NURSING HOME
WHAT'S
GOING ON?
HELLO-
HELLO...

THE WHITE ANGEL – OR, THE WOMAN WHO COULD BE MY MOTHER, PASSED AWAY SO SUDDENLY
SINCE EVERYONE FELT IMMERSED IN HAPPINESS AND DREAMED OF HER FULL RECOVERY THE NEWS WAS ALL THE MORE SURPRISING AND SHOCKING
BECAUSE THE SKY LOOKED SO BLUE THAT DAY...
BECAUSE THE SLUMBER LIKE FIGURE OF HER LOOKED SO PEACEFUL... THE SMILE ON HER FACE SO JOYFUL...

NOK NOK
COME ON IN
I WAS ORGANIZING HER THINGS.
WERE YOU LOOKING FOR ME?

HER THINGS
IF THERE'S SOMETHING YOU LIKE, TAKE IT.
I WANTED TO GIVE YOU THE OTHER HALF OF YOUR NECKLACE, BUT STRANGELY IT DISAPPEARED...
SO, PICK OUT WHAT YOU WISH...
THA...
THAT S...
THAT PICTURE RUINED YOUR MOTHER'S LIFE, WHY THAT...
FINALLY, I FEEL AS IF I BELONG HERE.

YES
I MADE A PROMISE
TO SIRIUS.
IT GIVES ME COURAGE.
THAT I'LL BE ABLE TO
LIVE IN THIS WORLD
MY MOTHER FAILED
TO ADAPT TO
I FINALLY
UNDERSTAND...
HOW THOUGHTFUL
THE GREAT KING
OF DARKNESS
WAS TO ME...
HOW MUCH
HE CARED FOR ME
SO, DON'T WORRY.
I'LL BE HEALTHY AND
LIVE AS A HUMAN.
I'LL BE
HAPPY...
BECAUSE
THIS IS
ONLY
A FOND
MEMORY
THE ONE WHO GAVE ME MY NAME
WHO MIGHT BE MY FATHER.
THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS.
AND SIRIUS—
HAVING RECEIVED LARGE,
OVERWHELMING LOVE,
MISTY RAIN DECIDED THAT
SHE WILL COURAGEOUSLY
LIVE ON AS A HUMAN.

WATCH ME
I MADE THIS SO I CAN GIVE IT TO YOU SOMEDAY.
OUR DAUGHTER HAS ONE JUST LIKE IT
NO! I'M NEVER GOING TO LEAVE THE DOKEBI LAND!
IF YOU COMBINE THE TWO IT BECOMES THE FOUNDATION OF THE UNIVERSE, THE TAEGEUK.
THAT CHILD
I WAS ABLE TO MEET MY BEAUTIFUL CHILD.
SO I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW HAPPY I AM
I'M NOT GOING TO THE HUMAN WORLD!
JUST YOU WAIT! MY HORNS WILL GROW BACK TOO!

TOWARDS THE END OF
THE SUMMER,
SECOND SEMESTER BEGAN
AH -
MISTY-RAIN
YOUR ANSWER
IS INCORRECT
2-5
OH... YEAH?
FLUSH
GIVE IT TO ME
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE
MADE MISTAKES IN
MORE THAN ONE OR
TWO PLACES. LET ME
TAKE A LOOK AT IT
SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE
ESPECIALLY BAD IN
MATH
NOW, YOU SOLVE THIS
PROBLEM BY APPLYING IT TO
THIS FORMULA. MEMOAIZE
SOME MATH FORMULAS
DURING RECESS INSTEAD
OF SLEEPING. MATH IS EASY
ONCE YOU KNOW YOUR
FORMULAS.
AFTER THE WHITE
ANGEL'S FUNERAL,
I SAW HANBIT CRY
STANDING IN
THE CORNER OF
THE GARDEN.
HE HELD HIS BREATH
AND SHED TEARS
WITHOUT A SOUND
I THOUGHT HANBIT
HATED THE WHITE
ANGEL, BUT I GUESS
I WAS WRONG
HE'S STILL STRICT WITH
ME YET NOT AS COLD AS
BEFORE. IS IT BECAUSE
I'M THE DAUGHTER OF
THE WHITE ANGEL?

THE DISTRICT TRYOUTS ARE COMING UP.
THE TRYOUTS WON'T BE A PROBLEM IF NANBIT JOINS THE TEAM AGAIN...
HEY, IT'S NANBIT.
SPEAK OF THE DEVIL.
WHAT'S HE DOING HERE? TO KICK THE KETTLE AGAIN?
JAWA
I THINK I'LL ASK HIM AGAIN.
UM...
I'M SORRY... CAN YOU LET ME BE A PART OF YOUR TEAM ONCE MORE?
WHAT THE
I WANT TO SPEND THE REST OF MY PRECIOUS SCHOOL DAYS
WITHOUT ANY REGRETS

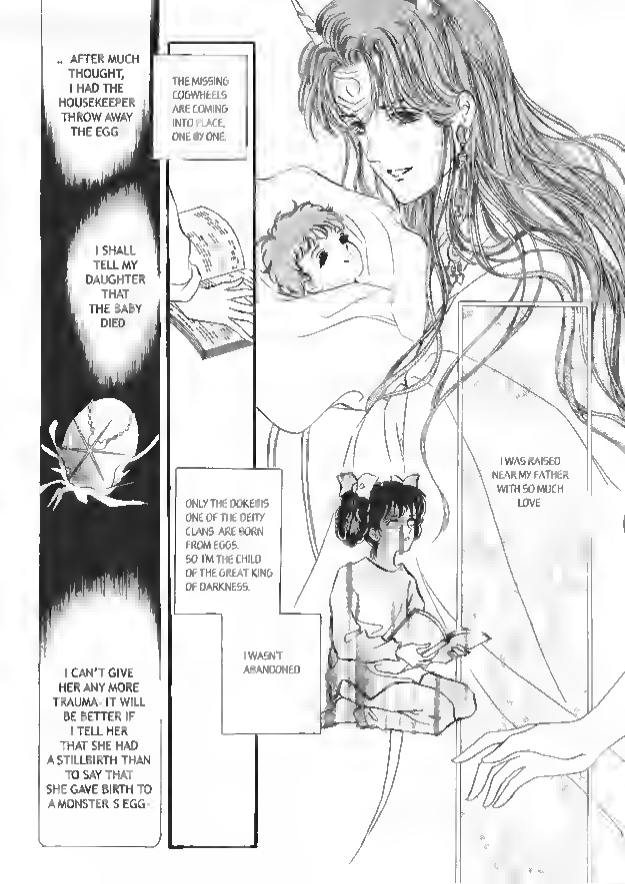
YOUR HIGHNESS.
I'M GLAD
THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO REGAIN YOUR HEALTH.
WELCOME, THORNPRICHER.
WERE YOU THINKING ABOUT MISTY-RAIN AGAIN?

MOST LIKELY I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SEE HER AGAIN.
FOOLISH PRINCE SIRIUS
WHY DID IT HAVE TO BE A DAUGHTER OF A HUMAN HE BECAME THE LEADING CHARACTER OF THE KIND OF TRAGIC LOVE STORY I ONLY READ IN NOVELS.
NO-1
THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS LOVE THAT CAN'T BE FULFILLED. HAVE STRENGTH, YOUR HIGHNESS.
EVEN GOD WILL BE MOVED TO GIVE MISTY AAIN HORNS AND ADORABLE FANGS

PLEASE... DON'T WEAR THAT
SAD EXPRESSION ON YOUR FACE
I GAVE UP
LOVING YOU
BUT I WANT YOU
TO BE HAPPY
SO MUCH SO THAT
I WISH MISTY RAIN CAN
BECOME A CLOAK!!

THE DAY OF AUTUMN HOUSE CLEANING HAS ARRIVED
WE DECIDED TO DRY ALL THE ITEMS THAT MIGHT HAVE GOTTEN DAMP THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER UNDER THE COOL AUTUMN BREEZE
MISTY RAIN, TAKE THIS.
TAP
WE HAVEN'T CLEANED THE ATTIC IN A LONG TIME, HAVE WE?
I THINK SO I DON'T REMEMBER DOING SO IN THE LAST FEW YEARS...
RRUUMBLLE
KOME
IN A TIME LIKE THIS, IT'S BEST TO PRETEND YOU DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING
HEY~

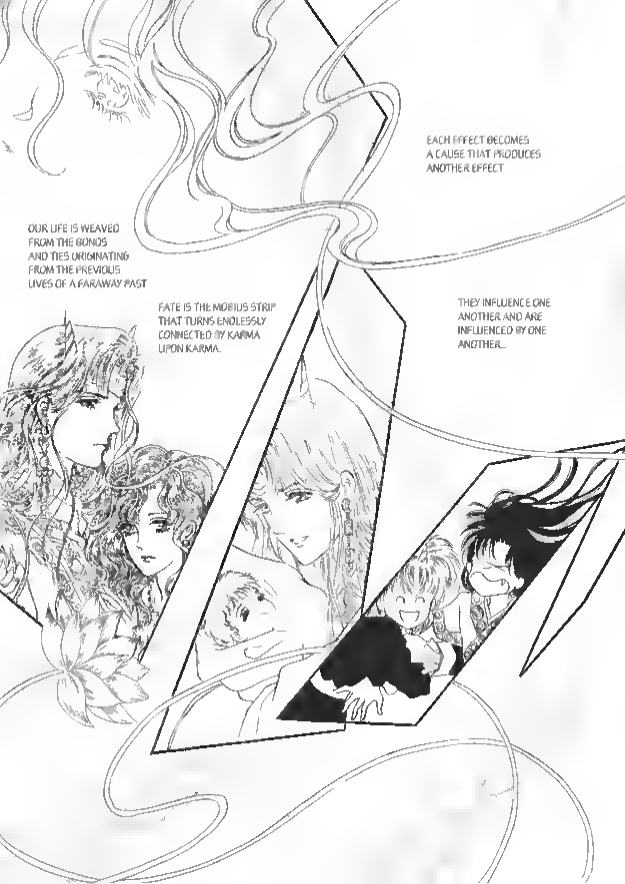
JEEZ, BAD LUCK.
GRUM BLE
GRUM BLE
HOW COME WE RE NOT THROWING THIS JUNK AWAY? WE SHOULD GET RID OF IT ALL.
WHAP
I DON T UHDERSTAHD WHAT HAPPEHED TO MY DAUGHTER?
THIS!
HAIR WHITER THAN HER FATHER S AT THAT AGE...
THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE MY DAUGHTER.
SHE NEVER GOES OUT AND ALWAYS STAYS INSIDE THE COUNTRY HOUSE HOW CAN SHE BE PREGNANT?
FLAP
FLAP
SHE GAVE BIRTH.. MY GOD.. IT S HOT A BABY
AN EGG... I'VE NEVER HEARD OF A WOMAN GIVING BIRTH TO AN EGG AND NOT A BABY. THEY SAY IH THE OLD MYTHOLOGY THAT LADY YOOHWA GAVE BIRTH TO AN EGG AND FROM IT CAME A BABY, BUT THAT S ONLY A LEGEND

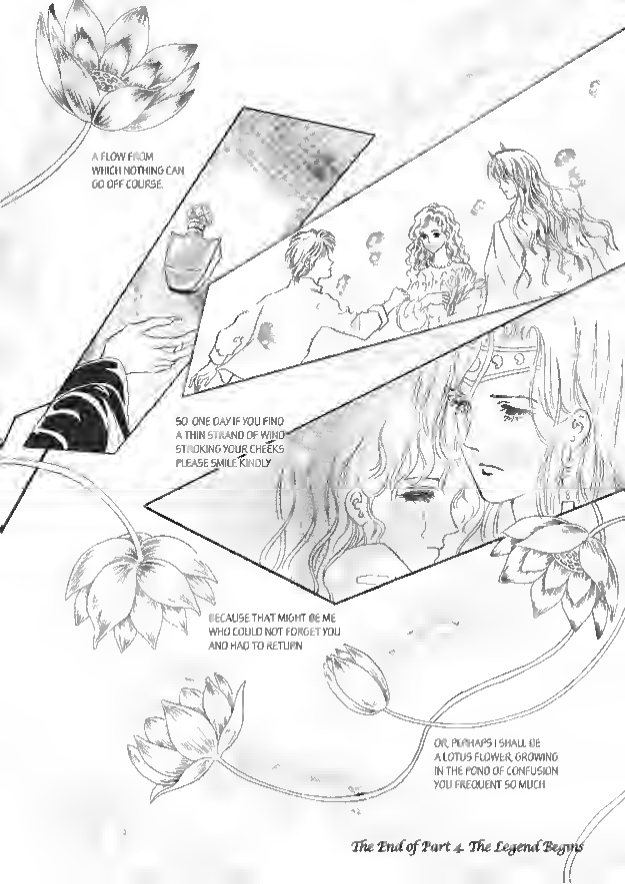

.. AFTER MUCH THOUGHT, I HAD THE HOUSEKEEPER THROW AWAY THE EGG
I SHALL TELL MY DAUGHTER THAT THE BABY DIED
I CAN'T GIVE HER ANY MORE TRAUMA. IT WILL BE BETTER IF I TELL HER THAT SHE HAD A STILLBIRTH THAN TO SAY THAT SHE GAVE BIRTH TO A MONSTER'S EGG.
THE MISSING COGWHEELS ARE COMING INTO PLACE, ONE BY ONE.
ONLY THE DOKEIJIS ONE OF THE DEITY CLANS ARE BORN FROM EGGS. SO I'M THE CHILD OF THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS.
I WASN'T ABANDONED
I WAS RAISED NEAR MY FATHER WITH SO MUCH LOVE

I'M TRULY SURPRISED.
MISTY-RAIN, THE CHILD WHO WAS SO PRECIOUS TO YOU, WAS YOUR DAUGHTER.

I, THE ONE WHO UNDERSTANDS THE LAWS OF EAVEN AND EARTH AND CAN READ THE FATE OF OTHERS...
WAS BLIND TO MY OWN AFFAIRS. IT WAS A STRANGE IRONY
THE LOVE THAT DREW YOU TO HER WAS THE CONNECTION OF BLOOD.
YOU NEVER SUSPECTED ANYTHING... BROTHER?
ALTHOUGH I PRIDE MYSELF FOR BEING A DEITY, THIS IS WHAT I COME DOWN TO
MY MOST PRECIOUS DAUGHTER...
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT MISTY-RAIN NOW?
WILL YOU LEAVE HER IN THE HUMAN WORLD?
IT'S TOO LATE. I SHOULD NOT STEP FORWARD AS A FATHER..
OR MEDDLE IN HER LIFE.
THE CHOICE IS HERS

I THINK FATE ATTRACTED YOUR ATTENTION SO YOU COULD RAISE HER UNDER YOUR CARE.
ALL THESE INCIDENTS THAT WERE TANGLED LEFT AND RIGHT... THEY SPEAK ABOUT A GREATER DESIGN AS IF THEY WERE DESTINED TO BE ARRANGED LIKE THAT IN THE FIRST PLACE
I'VE BEEN THINKING A LOT
HOW SHE MET THE PRINCE OF THE UNICORNS...
AND HOW SHE WENT BACK TO THE HUMAN WORLD.


EACH EFFECT BECOMES A CAUSE THAT PRODUCES ANOTHER EFFECT
OUR LIFE IS WEAVED FROM THE BONDS AND TIES ORIGINATING FROM THE PREVIOUS LIVES OF A FARAWAY PAST
FATE IS THE MOBIUS STRIP THAT TURNS ENDLESSLY CONNECTED BY KARMA UPON KARMA.
THEY INFLUENCE ONE ANOTHER AND ARE INFLUENCED BY ONE ANOTHER...


A FLOW FROM
WHICH NOTHING CAN
GO OFF COURSE.
SO ONE DAY IF YOU FIND
A THIN STRAND OF WIND
STROKING YOUR CHEEKS
PLEASE SMILE KINDLY
BECAUSE THAT MIGHT BE ME
WHO COULD NOT FORGET YOU
AND HAD TO RETURN
OR, PERHAPS I SHALL BE
A LOTUS FLOWER, GROWING
IN THE POND OF CONFUSION
YOU FREQUENT SO MUCH

The End of Part 4. The Legend Begins

EPILOGUE

RETURN TO DOKEBI LAND

HM I LIKE THE COLOR OF THAT SHIRT
HANBIT, THIS FISH LOOKS GOOD. LET'S BUY IT FOR DINNER.
MISTY-RAIN — STOP GOING NUTS OVER FOOD AND BUY SOME NEW CLOTHES
WOW... HE'S HIS FUNNY
GULP
HEY~ IS THAT YOU, HANBIT?
KYUNGSUK.
WHO'S HE?
THIS IS MY SISTER.
HE'S MY FRIEND FROM GRADE SCHOOL.

SHE'S CUTE. CAN I BE HER BOYFRIEND?
NO!!
WHAT
TH-THUMP
YOU JERK, WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME ?
YOU HAVE PLAYBOY TENDENCIES
MISTY RAIN'S BOYFRIEND
MISTY-RAIN'S BOYFRIEND SHOULD BE A MAN WHO IS COOL, KIND VERY SMART AND GREAT..
HIS NAME IS HANBIT

DO I HAVE A CRUSH ON MISTY-RAIN? ...NO WAY!
HANBIT, I'M HUNGRY LET'S HURRY HOME AND EAT
THAT...THAT CAN'T BE POSSIBLE... NOT EVEN IN MY DREAMS MISTY-RAIN IS MY SISTER...
.....
CALL ME YOUR OLDER BROTHER FROM NOW ON. I MAY ONLY BE A FEW MONTHS OLDER, BUT THAT STILL MAKES ME YOUR OLDER BROTHER.
?
THIS STRANGE FEELING... IS IT BECAUSE OF THE MOONLIGHT?
MISTY-RAIN, PLEASE STOP EATING LIKE A BARBARIAN
I WAS SO HUNGRY THAT I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE.
HANBIT, THERE'S PLENTY MORE KIMCHI RADISH, SO EAT UP...
CHOMP CHOMP
WHY DOES HE HATE MISTY-RAIN SO MUCH?

MY HEART ALWAYS SKIPS A BEAT DURING A FULL MOON, BUT TODAY ESPECIALLY...
I HEARD THE MOONLIGHT CONNECTS THE HUMAN WORLD TO THE DEMON REALM.
CAN THE MOONLIGHT DELIVER MY THOUGHTS TO THE DEMON WORLD?

SIRIUS
I'M HAPPY
RIGHT NOW

I CAME TO
UNDERSTAND
HAPPINESS IS
SOMETHING I MAKE
FOR MYSELF
NO MATTER
WHERE I AM

IT'S NOT
SOMETHING
ANYONE CAN
GIVE ME

BUT I TREASURE
THAT HEART OF
YOURS

I WANTED TO MAKE
YOU HAPPY ALL BY
MYSELF...

RIGHT NOW
I'LL BE ABLE TO
ACCEPT YOUR FEELINGS
WITH A PURE HEART...

SHHHHA...A...

BLUISH... PURPLE...?

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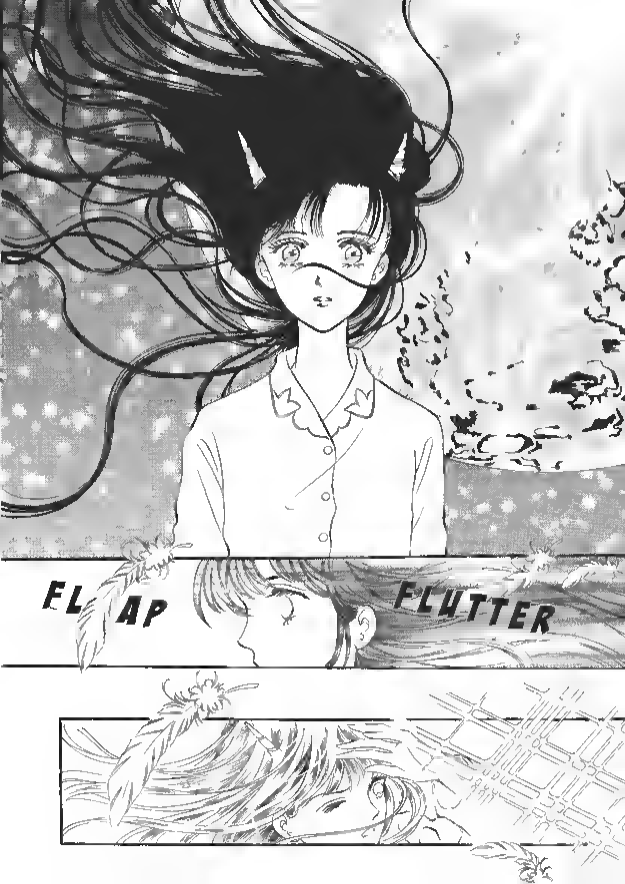

FLAP
FLUTTER

SIRIUS
I CAME TO FETCH YOU.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, MISTY-RAIN.
YOU HAVE GROWN SO MUCH, MONGRYONG
YEAH, NOW I HAVE FOUR TAILS.

I BEAR A MESSAGE FROM THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS OF THE EAST DOKEBI LAND
YOUR FATHER..
MISTY RAIN..
MY DAUGHTER
WHEN YOU REALIZE THE MEANING OF LIFE AND CAN LOVE EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD..
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO ESCAPE THE SHACKLES THAT BIND YOU AND FIND YOUR TRUE SELF
WHETHER YOU LIVE IN THE HUMAN WORLD AS A HUMAN..OR COME BACK TO THIS PLACE, CHOOSE AS YOUR HEART MOVES YOU. NO MATTER WHAT YOUR DECISION IS, I'LL WATCH YOU WITH A JOYFUL HEART.
MY DAUGHTER..

NO~
YOU SHOULDN'T GO BACK TO DOKEBI LAND~ .
NO, MISTY-RAIN.
PLEASE... DON'T GO. LIVE WITH US IN THE HUMAN WORLD.
STRANGE. WHY AM I NOT SURPRISED TO SEE THEM LIKE THAT?
IT'S AS IF I'VE KNOWN THESE FIGURES FOR A LONG TIME...

PLEASE
DON T LEAVE!

I WAS SUCH A FOOL
I DIDN'T REALIZE HOW HAPPY I WAS
INSTEAD I LED A SOLITARY LIFE
BLAMING EVERYONE AROUND ME
THANK YOU,
HANBIT.
BUT, I'LL HAVE TO..
AND YEARN FOR.
I'LL BE WITH HIM
FROM NOW ON.
THIS FACE THAT
I HAVE COME TO
LOVE

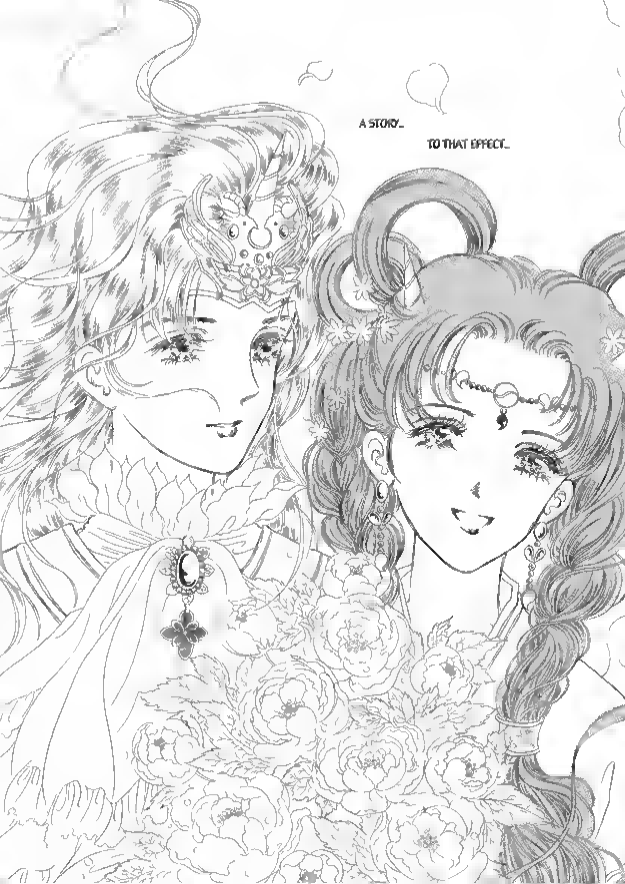
MISTY-RAIN, SIRIUS, WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME.
SIRIUS WHO GAVE UP EVERYTHING TO FOLLOW ME...
SIRIUS...
SO... NOW I SHALL FOLLOW YOU
GOOD BYE, BROTHER.
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF MISTY-RAIN.
I TRUST YOU...
MAKE HER HAPPY...

GOOD BYE.

UM... ARE YOU REALLY MISTY-RAIN?
THE SAME PERSON THAT'S IN THIS PICTURE?

HANBIT, WHAT'S GOING ON?
MISTY RAIN WENT AWAY
INTO THE MOONLIGHT
NO... TO DOKEBI LAND
WHAT?
I SHOULD GIVE FATHER A CALL.
HE WOULD UNDERSTAND.
FAR,
FARAWAY
THAT PLACE IS
THE LAND OF SILVER RAIN

THE GREAT KING OF DARKNESS
WITH HIS BLUE-VIOLET HAIR
AND A PRETTY PRINCESS.
AND THE PRINCE WITH
A BRIGHT SMILE LIVING
HAPPILY EVER AFTER.
A STORY TO THAT EFFECT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TO THAT EFFECT...

THE END.